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and Second President of the Fifth Republic.



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INTRODUCTION

As the President's chief message-crafting body, the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office (PCDSPO), is mandated to provide strategic communication leadership and support to the Executive Branch, its composite agencies, and instrumentalities of government.

The PCDSPO is also mandated to act as custodian of the institutional memory of the Office of the President. One of our projects is the continuation of the series of books called the Messages of the President, started in 1936 by Jorge B. Vargas, Executive Secretary to President Manuel L. Quezon. The series was a wide collection of executive issuances, speeches, messages, and other official papers of the President. The volumes were intended to serve as the definitive compilation of presidential documents. The series was continued until the Quirino administration, although the series for the Presidential administrations of Presidents Quezon, Roxas, and Quirino were never completed.

In 2010, President Benigno S. Aquino III ordered the revival of the series and the constitution of a complete set, covering all 15 presidential administrations. With pride, we continue what Vargas began.

We would like to extend our gratitude to our partners for without whose gracious cooperation, this project would have not been possible.

A note on organization: Each presidential administration's messages are in book form, compiled and subdivided into volumes. The books are as follows:

- Book 1: Emilio Aguinaldo
- Book 2: Jose P. Laurel
- Book 3: Manuel L. Quezon
- Book 4: Sergio Osmeña
- Book 5: Manuel Roxas
- Book 6: Elpidio Quirino
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- Book 11: Corazon C. Aquino
- Book 12: Fidel V. Ramos
- Book 13: Joseph Ejercito Estrada
- Book 14: Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo
- Book 15: Benigno S. Aquino III

Each book is subdivided into the following volumes:

- Volume 1: Official Weeks/Months in Review
 - Volume 2: Appointments and Designations
 - Volume 3: Historical Papers and Documents
 - Volume 4: Executive Orders
 - Volume 5: Administrative Orders
 - Volume 6: Proclamations
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Volume 7: Other issuances

Volume 8: Cabinet minutes

We hope that this collection will be a useful and vital reference for generations to come.

PREFACE

On July 30, 2010, President Benigno S. Aquino III issued Executive Order No. 4, which effectively renamed what was previously called the Malacañang Museum into the Presidential Museum and Library (PML) and placed it under the supervision and control of the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office (PCDSPO). The PML is responsible for preserving, managing, and promoting the history and heritage of the Philippine presidency. It is the principal historical and artistic repository in support of the institution of the presidency, for the benefit of the Republic and the Filipino people. In partnership with the PCDSPO, which has pioneered the publication of the Official Gazette of the Republic of the Philippines as a web archive and information website, the PML has taken this mandate and placed it on the cutting edge of the information age.

Much has been done over the past years, under the administration of President Aquino III, to digitize executive issuances, speeches, letters, and other presidential papers; and publish them online. The project is not limited to a single administration, nor does it discriminate. This collection, published as databases, as well as print and e-publications, includes documents from the presidency of Emilio Aguinaldo to the current Aquino administration. This represents the government's allegiance to transparency, continuity, and the fostering of an informed citizenry, as well as an effort, in earnest, to preserve the institutional memory of the Presidency. All this was done not just for the posterity, but for the current generation and the ongoing task of nation building.

The PML are proud partners of the Official Gazette and PCDSPO team, to whom we made the collections available. We sincerely hope that this series will serve as a vital reference to educators, students, journalists, lawyers, historians, and the public at large.

FOREWORD

This is the fourth volume of President Fidel V. Ramos' official papers, which constitutes the 12th book of the Messages of the President series. The series was started in 1936 by Executive Secretary Jorge B. Vargas, during the first year in office of Manuel L. Quezon, the first President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines. This volume collects President Ramos' Executive Orders, which provide for rules of a general or permanent character in implementation or execution of constitutional or statutory powers.

BOOK 12

PRESIDENT FIDEL V. RAMOS

President Fidel V. Ramos was the twelfth President of the Philippines and was the second President of the fifth Republic. He assumed office on June 30, 1992 and was President until June 30, 1998.

The Executive Issuances of President Ramos began with Executive Order No. 1 and Memorandum Circular No. 1, signed on June 30, 1992 and ended with Proclamation No. 1266 that was signed on June 27, 1998.

President Ramos' documents were gathered from its official sources such as the Official Gazette of the Philippines; Malacañang Records Office's Book of Executive Issuances; SONA Technical Report; *To Win the Future: People Empowerment for National Development*; *A Call to Duty*; *Citizenship and Civic Responsibility in a Third World Democracy*; *Time for Takeoff: The Philippines is ready for Competitive Performance in the Asia-Pacific*; *From Growth to Modernization: Raising the Political Capacity and Strengthening the Social Commitments of the Philippine State*; *Our Time has Come: The Goals we Set Ourselves to Obtain for our People are Now Within our Reach*; *Leadership for the 21st Century: Our Labors Today will Shape our Country's Future*; *The Continuity of Freedom: A Democratic and Reformist Society is our Unique Competitive Advantage*; and *Developing as a Democracy: Reform and Recovery in the Philippines, 1992-1998*.

The American Psychological Association (APA) style was used for the citation. The titles that have been provided by the researchers are enclosed in square brackets, considering that the exact wordings and its order were not verbatim from the document being described. Book titles are italicized while the speech titles are not. If in any case that the book title is the same as the title of the speech, it is transcribed in italics because it is the book title.

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President Fidel V. Ramos meets with the Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council in Malacañang, February 2, 1997.



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President Fidel V. Ramos welcomes Olympic silver medalist Mansueto Velasco Jr. and his family to Malacañang, August 11, 1996.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

An Executive Order provides for rules of a general or permanent character in implementation or execution of constitutional or statutory powers. The Executive Orders of President Fidel V. Ramos began on June 30, 1992 with Executive Order No. 1 and ended on June 11, 1998 with Executive Order No. 488.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1
REDUCING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON ELECTRIC GENERATING
SETS UNDER PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the nationwide shortage of electric power necessitates a concerted effort to remedy the energy crisis;

WHEREAS, the existing conventional and non-conventional sources of the country's electric energy cannot at present provide adequate supply of power to the detriment of the consuming sectors;

WHEREAS, the shortage of electric power supply can be partially remedied by electricity produced by electric generating sets;

WHEREAS, to ensure availability of electric generating sets and to serve as an incentive for their importation, there is a need to exempt the same from the payment of import duties;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Electric generating sets under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code, as amended, shall have a zero percent (0%) rate of import duty until 30 June 1995, which shall be subject to an annual review by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and Tariff Commission, and thereafter, the rates of duty shall be as provided therefor under Executive Order No. 470, to wit:

Hdg No.	Harmonized System Code	Description	Rate of Duty (0%) Until 30 June 1995
85.02		Electric generating sets	
		Generating sets with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines (diesel) or semi-diesel engines:	
	8502.11 00	Of an output not exceeding 75 KVA	Free
	8502.12 00	- - Of an output exceeding 75 KVA but not exceeding 375 KVA	Free
	8502.13 00	- - Of an output exceeding 375 KVA	Free
	8502.20 00	- - Generating sets with spark-ignition internal combustion piston engines	Free
	8502.30 00	Other generating sets	Free
	8502.40 00	x x x	

SEC. 2. Upon effectivity of this Executive Order, the above articles which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall not be levied any duty.

SEC. 3. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.
Acting Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2
EXTENDING THE EFFECTIVITY OF THE ZERO RATE OF IMPORT DUTY
ON CEMENT AND CEMENT CLINKER UNDER SECTION 104 OF PRESIDENTIAL
DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978,
AS PROVIDED UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 387

WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 387, cement and cement clinker have a rate of import duty of zero percent (0%);

WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 470, the above articles will be subject to rates of duty of 20% and 10%, respectively, beginning 1 July 1992;

WHEREAS, the continued duty-free importation of such articles will avert a possible shortage in the local supply that may otherwise result in the spiralling of the prices thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The following articles under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code, as amended, shall have a continued 0% rate of import duty until 30 June 1995, which shall be subject to an annual review by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and the Tariff Commission, and thereafter, the rates of import duty shall be as provided therefor under Executive Order No. 470, to wit:

Hdg No.	Harmonized SystemCode	Description	Rate of Duty (0%) Until 30 June 1995
25.23		Portland Cement, aluminous cement, ("ciment fondu"), slag cement, supersulphate cement and similar hydraulic cements, whether or not coloured or in the form of clinkers.	
	2523.10	Cement clinkers:	
	2523.10 10 - - -	Cement clinker other than for white cement	Free
	2523.10 90		
		Portland cement:	
	2523.21 00 - - -		
	2523.29 00 - - -	Other	Free
	2523.30 00 - - -		
	2523.90		
	2523.90 10 - - -	x x x	
	2523.90 90		

SEC. 2. Upon effectivity of this Executive Order, the above articles which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall not be levied any duty.

SEC. 3. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.

Acting Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3

CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-CRIME COMMISSION TO IDENTIFY AND CAUSE THE INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION OF CRIMINAL ELEMENTS IN THE COUNTRY.

WHEREAS, the country has witnessed the escalation of crimes with organized and syndicated elements habitually committing crimes to the detriment of peace and order and public welfare, individuals and families being victimized and brutalized in heinous crimes, unscrupulous groups and individuals disparaging the environment and natural resources of the country, notorious elements committing crimes with impunity due to political connections, and law enforcement personnel taking advantage of their uniforms in the pursuit of lawless undertaking;

WHEREAS, eradication of crime and criminal elements is among the priorities of the present administration;

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President and to transfer functions from one agency or department to another; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a commission specially tasked to direct and coordinate the functions and activities of law enforcement, investigation and prosecution agencies, is imperative in order to bring about a more vigorous campaign against criminality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. ORGANIZATION. There is hereby created a Presidential Anti-Crime Commission (hereinafter called the "COMMISSION") under the Office of the President.

SEC. 2. COMPOSITION. – The Commission shall be composed of the Vice-President of the Philippines, in his capacity as Presidential Adviser on Crime Prevention and Law Enforcement, as Chairman; the Secretary of Justice as Vice-Chairman; and, the Secretary of the Interior and Local Government, and two representatives of non-government organizations (NGO) which are involved in crime prevention and improvement of law enforcement, as Members. The NGO representatives shall be designated by the President upon recommendation of the Chairman.

SEC 3. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS. – The Commission shall have the following powers and functions:

a. Cause or direct the immediate investigation and speedy prosecution of cases enumerated under Section 4 hereof involving violations of the Revised Penal Code and other special laws which have been referred to or received by the Commission, or cases that the President may refer to the Commission;

b. Direct the transfer of cases from any law enforcement agency or prosecution office, as the Commission may deem proper and necessary, in the interest of efficient and expeditious dispensation of criminal justice, and direct that such cases be investigated or

prosecuted, as the case may be, by the appropriate operating or implementing agency herein provided for.

c. Refer, as the Commission may deem proper and for the same reasons stated in the preceding paragraph, to the appropriate law enforcement agency or prosecution office, the investigation or prosecution, as the case may be, of any of the cases adverted to in paragraph (a) hereof;

d. Enlist the assistance of any branch, department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the Government, including government-owned and/or controlled corporations, in the anti-crime drive, which may include the use of its personnel, facilities and resources for a more resolute prevention, detection and investigation of crimes, and prosecution of criminal offenders;

e. Monitor the progress of ongoing investigation and prosecution of cases taken cognizance of by the Commission;

f. Prepare and implement a fast track anti-crime action agenda and adopt appropriate measures to ensure an effective and efficient anti-crime drive;

g. Recommend appropriate anti-crime issuances and legislations to the President and Congress;

h. Grant monetary rewards and incentives to informants who are willing to give vital information to build up the case for the prosecution of criminal offenders as provided under existing laws;

i. Direct the Witness Protection Security and Benefit Program Committee of the Department of Justice to evaluate and assess witnesses who may qualify under the provisions of Republic Act. No 6981, otherwise known as the Witness Protection, Security and Benefit Act; and

j. Perform such other functions as the President may assign.

SEC. 4. OFFENSES COVERED. – In the discharge of its functions, the Commission shall have the authority to take cognizance of the following crimes:

a. Those committed by organized/syndicated crime groups, including but limited to: gunrunning, illegal logging robbery, kidnapping for ransom, white slave trade, illegal recruitment, carnapping, smuggling, piracy, drug-trafficking, falsification of land titles and other government forms, large scale swindling, film piracy, counterfeiting bank frauds.

An organized/syndicated crime group means a group of two or more persons collaborating, confederating or mutually helping one another in the commission of crime.

b. Those which are considered as heinous crimes.

A heinous crime, for purposes of this Executive Order, is a grave felony as defined in the Revised Penal Code, or an offense punishable under special committed in a manner that is revolting or shocking to the common sensibilities of man, whether deliberately sought or not, such as those attended by cruelty, ignominy treachery, and similar circumstances.

c. Those committed by the members of the Philippine National Police and the Armed Forces of the Philippines

d. Such other offenses which the President may consider appropriate to place under its authority

SEC. 5. IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES. In the performance of its functions, the Commission may call upon any of the following implementing agencies:

- a. Philippine National Police (PNP);
- b. National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM);
- c. National Bureau of Investigation (NBI);
- d. National Prosecution Service (NPS);
- e. Bureau of Immigration (BI);
- f. Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR);
- g. Economic Intelligence and Investigation Bureau (EIIB);
- h. Bureau of Customs (BOC);
- i. Forest Management Bureau (FMB); and
- j. National Intelligence Coordinating Agency (NICA);
- k. Such other agencies which the Commission may find necessary to implement its mandate

The Commission shall identify the respective areas of responsibilities of the foregoing agencies.

SEC 6. TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF.

The Commission shall organize its Technical and Administrative Staff to be headed by an Executive Officer designated by the Chairman. The Technical Staff shall be composed of personnel also designated by the Chairman and those detailed to the Commission by the different agencies specified in Section 5 hereof

SEC. 7. FUNDING. The Commission shall be provided with an initial allocation of TWELVE MILLION (₱12,000,000.00) to be drawn from the President's Contingent Fund Appropriations for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposals under the Office of the President.

SEC. 8. OPERATING GUIDELINES. – The Commission shall adopt such operating guidelines as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order.

SEC. 9. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 7th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.**
Acting Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4
REVOKING THE PROVISIONS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 494
DATED DECEMBER 6, 1991 ON THE PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 494 was issued by the President of the Philippines on December 6, 1991, reorganizing various government-owned or controlled corporations, including the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) which under said Executive Order is to be transformed into a regular line bureau of the Department of Agriculture to be known as the “Bureau of Coconut Development and Inspection Service,” and accordingly repealing, among other laws, its charter, namely Presidential Decree No. 232, as revised by Presidential Decrees Nos. 961 and 1468;

WHEREAS, said Executive Order has not yet taken effect;

WHEREAS, in his Memorandum to the President of the Philippines dated December 18, 1991, then Secretary of Agriculture Senen Bacani recommended the exclusion of the PCA from the coverage of Executive Order No. 494 for reasons, among others, that:

- 1) The PCA is not one of the government corporations or agencies which the President of the Philippines identified for privatization, divestment, or dissolution under Proclamation No. 50 which authorized the President to amend the charters of such entities for purposes of privatization;
- 2) The corporate structure of PCA which carries both corporate and regulatory functions cannot be substituted with the basic line functions of an ordinary bureau, and accordingly the Department of Agriculture has never included the PCA as one of the agencies or corporations for regularization;

WHEREAS, considering that the present conditions do not warrant the reorganization of the Philippine Coconut Authority and public interest demands the maintenance of its present set-up, there is a need to revoke Executive Order No. 494 insofar as it concerns the Philippine Coconut Authority only;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The provisions of Executive Order No. 494 dated December 6, 1991 on the transformation of the Philippine Coconut Authority into a regular line bureau of the Department of Agriculture are revoked and Annex “D” of said Executive Order is deleted.

Sec. 2. The charter of the Philippine Coconut Authority, namely Presidential Decree No. 232, as revised by Presidential Decrees Nos. 961 and 1468, shall remain in force and effect.

Sec. 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 11th day of July, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:
(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.
Acting Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5
AMENDING SECTION 1 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2 DATED 01 JULY 1992

I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the amendment of Section 1, Executive Order No. 2 dated 01 July 1992 by shortening the period provided therein for continued operation of the 0% rate of import duty on the articles enumerated therein from 30 June 1995 to 30 June 1993.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon the completion of its publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.**
Acting Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 6
PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL
FOR COUNTRYSIDE DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the government gives priority to the empowerment of the people in order to improve the socio-economic condition of the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, this can be accomplished only if tangible and sustainable developments are made in the Philippine countryside where majority of the Filipino people reside;

WHEREAS, this can be achieved with greater efficiency if a mechanism acting as integrator for programs to be implemented by government agencies and non-government organizations for the countryside can be created;

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has continuing powers to reorganize the Office of the President and to transfer functions from one agency to another;

NOW, THEREFORE, I FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by the virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. **Structural Organization.** – There is hereby created under the Office of the President a Presidential Council for Countryside Development, hereinafter referred to as Council, composed of the Presidential Adviser for Rural Development as Chairman and the following members: the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Agrarian Reform, the Secretary of Trade and Industry, the Secretary of Interior and Local Government, the Secretary of Public Works and Highways, the Secretary of Science and Technology, the Director-General of the National Economic Development Authority, the Head of the Presidential Management Staff, the President of the Land Bank of the Philippines, the Chairman of the Development Bank of the Philippines, and the President of the Philippine National Bank. The Chairman and members of the Council shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. **Functions of the Council.** – The Council shall be an advisory body to the President. It shall have the following functions:

(a) Identify and recommend target provinces for the implementation of an accelerated comprehensive countryside development program;

(b) Initiate discussions with local government executives and private sector representatives, through the appropriate departments and agencies, for the purposes of drafting a Master Plan for countryside development in its target areas;

(c) Recommend the conceptualization and implementation of pilot projects in priority areas in coordination with the local government units (LGUs) and non-government organizations (NGOs)

(d) Coordinate the government agencies and the private sector organizations whose participation may be needed for the efficient delivery of countryside development programs in target areas;

(e) Recommend to the President proposed legislation and presidential issuances pertaining to countryside development;

(f) Recommend projects, including private sector initiatives for countryside development, for linking up with donors such as foreign governments, international aid organizations and other institutions; and

(g) Monitor and review, through the appropriate departments and agencies, the planning and implementation of critical programs on countryside development of national government agencies and recommend appropriate changes in programs/projects plan and implementation.

Section 3. **Functions of the Council Chairman.** – The Council Chairman shall preside over the meetings of the Council and perform such other functions as the President may assign from time to time.

Section 4. **Programs.** – The Council with the assistance of the appropriate departments and agencies, shall formulate the following programs, among others, in coordination with the affected LGUs:

(a) **Access Program.** It shall devise an identification procedure to inventory the existing and needed resources of target areas, and to design a program that will provide these areas a fast track delivery of basic services and other resources necessary so that the less developed provinces can catch up with the more developed ones.

(b) **Productive and Creative Agro-Technology Program (Pro-create Program).** It shall identify the maximum potential for agriculture and aquaculture in the target provinces, and promote the shift from traditional crops to high-value crops.

(c) **National Economic Enterprises Development (NEED) Program.** It shall identify raw material and skills potentials for enterprise in target provinces and initiate an integrated Research and Development program, skills training, enterprise development and marketing network to maximize use for these resources.

Sec. 5. **Technical and Administrative Support.** -- The Presidential Management Staff (PMS) shall provide technical and administrative support to the Council. Among others, the PMS shall:

(a) Undertake discussions and consultations with LGUs and locally based non-government organizations;

(b) Monitor and review the implementation of programs in the target areas and evaluate their performance;

(c) Record and document the implementation and results of the programs implemented; and

(d) Perform such other tasks that may be requested by the Council.

The Council may call upon any government agency, government corporations and LGUs for such assistance as may be needed.

Sec. 6. **Budget.** – The Council shall be provided an initial budget to be determined and approved by the President. Subsequent appropriations shall be included in the budgetary request of the Office of the President.

Sec. 7. **Effectivity.** – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 14th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.

Acting Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 7
PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF AN EXTENSION OFFICE OF THE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT IN MINDANAO AND VISAYAS, ASSIGNING A
PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT FOR MINDANAO AND VISAYAS,
DEFINING THEIR FUNCTIONS, POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to further decentralize the operations of government down to the field in order to effectively ensure the delivery of basic services to the people;

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President and to transfer functions from one agency to another;

WHEREAS, this policy is implemented by, among others, grouping local government units and regions into areas of responsibility in order to allow greater coordination and more efficient administration;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me, do hereby order:

Section 1. **Extension Offices.** -- There are hereby created extension offices of the Office of the President in Mindanao and Visayas, which shall be located in Davao City and Cebu City, respectively. They shall be headed by a Presidential Assistant for Mindanao and Visayas, who shall be the personal representative of the President in the Mindanao and Visayas, respectively.

The PA for Mindanao shall likewise be the Chairman of the Mindanao Economic Development Council created pursuant to Executive Order No. 512.

Sec. 2. **Functions, Powers and Responsibilities of the PA.** -- The PA shall have the following functions, powers, and responsibilities:

1. Monitor the planning and implementation of critical development programs and projects in his area of responsibility. He shall anticipate and where necessary step in to resolve any bottlenecks that may arise in the planning or implementation of critical development programs and projects. He is vested with presidential authority to call upon any agency of the government and coordinate with local government units (LGUs) to undertake actions deemed necessary to attain the development objectives of the area;
2. Provide assistance to local government units (LGUs) for matters requiring the attention of the Office of the President (OP) and other national government agencies;
3. Report regularly to the OP on the status of development programs and projects and make recommendations on any action that should be taken by the National Government to accelerate development efforts in his area of responsibility;
4. Act as the chief coordinator in the field of Presidential visits, consultations and other activities of the President in his area of responsibility;

5. Act as liaison officer between the various sectors in his area of responsibility and the OP; and
6. Perform such other functions and duties as the President may assign from time to time

Sec. 3. **Operating Principles.** -- Consistent with the Local Government Code of 1991, the PA shall not be another layer in the bureaucracy. He shall not duplicate the regular functions of any government agency, LGUs or regional bodies/councils such as the Regional Development Council, the Peace and Order Council, and the Regional Disaster Coordinating Council. He shall, however, attend the meetings of these regional bodies.

Sec. 4. **Technical and Administrative Support.** -- The PA shall be provided with technical and administrative support by the field offices of the PMS, including its attached agencies. The PA may, however, call upon any government agency, government corporations and LGUs in his area of responsibility for such assistance that he may need.

Sec. 5. **Budget.** -- The extension offices shall each be provided with a budget, the amount of which shall be determined and approved by the President. Appropriations for succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposal of the OP.

Sec. 6. **Repealing Clause.** -- All orders, issuances, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Sec. 7. **Effectivity.** -- This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Davao, Philippines, this 5th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.
Acting Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8
RESTRUCTURING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTIES AND AMENDING
THE CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN ARTICLES UNDER SECTION 104 OF THE
TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the promotion of economic recovery and sustainable long-run growth requires the removal of structural impediments to enable the private sector to operate in a system in which market signals enhance its efficiency and economic potential;

WHEREAS, among the structural impediments that must be removed are import restrictions that have not only hampered the flow of trade between the Philippines and the rest of the world but have also hindered the efficient development of local industries;

WHEREAS, the lifting of import restrictions may create difficulties for Philippine industries at the outset as they adjust to a more open trade regime;

WHEREAS, the industries adversely affected by the removal of import restrictions will need interim support measures that will enable them to develop their competitiveness and efficiency in a market-oriented environment;

WHEREAS, in the interim, the Government must provide increased tariff protection to said industries in lieu of the import restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 401 of Presidential Decree No. 1464, as amended, do hereby order that;

SECTION 1. The articles listed in ANNEXES "A" and "B" hereof as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall pay the rates of import duty, to be applied by stages, in accordance with the schedules indicated opposite each article: Provided, That the rates of duty indicated for 1996 shall continue to be levied, imposed and collected in the succeeding years until otherwise modified.

SECTION 2. The rates of import duties and the classification of the other articles under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, which are not affected by the provisions of Section 1 hereof, shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 3. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, the aforementioned articles in Annexes "A" and "B" hereof which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses for use in the Philippines shall be subject to the rates of duty herein prescribed.

SECTION 4. All laws, orders, issuances, rules, and regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Executive Order shall take effect thirty (30) days following its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE IN THE CITY OF MANILA, this 24th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.

Acting Executive Secretary

References: Annexes A and B

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 9
TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL STUD FARM FROM THE PHILIPPINE RACING
COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The National Stud Farm is hereby transferred from the Philippine Racing Commission, Office of the President to the Department of Agriculture.

Memorandum Order No. 13, S. of 1986, and all other orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 7th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.
Acting Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10
REQUIRING GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
TO USE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FILED WITH AND CERTIFIED BY THE BUREAU OF
INTERNAL REVENUE IN EVALUATING LOAN APPLICATIONS

WHEREAS, it has been the practice of some unscrupulous borrowers to use two sets of financial statements - one, for loan purposes and another for tax purposes;

WHEREAS, in some instances, financial statements submitted for loan purposes indicate bigger income or earning capacity than those submitted to the Bureau of Internal Revenue for tax purposes;

WHEREAS, uniformity of declaration is desirable in order that the financial institutions and the Bureau of Internal Revenue will have the same basis for their respective purposes and to prevent some unscrupulous borrowers from manipulating their financial declarations for the purpose of evading taxes.

NOW THEREFORE, I FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. For purposes of processing and approving application for loans filed by loan applicants, all government financial institutions are hereby directed, and private financial institutions are hereby enjoined, to accept and use, as the basis for evaluating the borrower's capacity to pay, the financial statements and income tax returns duly filed with and verified by the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

SECTION 2. The Department of Finance and the Bureau of Internal Revenue in consultation with the Central Bank of the Philippines shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect upon approval hereof.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 4th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.
Acting Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11
EXTENDING THE LIFE OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRIVATIZATION
AND THE ASSET PRIVATIZATION TRUST, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the term of the Committee on Privatization and the Asset Privatization Trust has been extended until August 31, 1992 by virtue of Section 1 of Republic Act No. 7181;

WHEREAS, said Section 1 of Republic Act No. 7181 further provides that after August 31, 1992, the term of the Committee on Privatization and the Asset Privatization Trust may again be extended by the President of the Philippines for not more than sixteen (16) months;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Period. The term of the Committee on Privatization and the Asset Privatization Trust is hereby further extended from August 31, 1992 to December 31, 1993.

SECTION 2. Powers, Duties and Responsibilities. During the aforesaid period, the Committee on Privatization and the Asset Privatization Trust shall continue to exercise the powers, duties and responsibilities provided under Proclamation No. 50, issued on December 8, 1986, as amended. Specifically, the COP and APT shall substantially complete the privatization of the undisposed corporations and assets, particularly the big-ticket items, within the extended period.

SECTION 3. Separability. Any portion or provision of this Executive Order that may be declared unconstitutional or invalid shall not have the effect of nullifying other portions or provisions hereof as long as such remaining portion or provisions can still be given effect in their entirety.

SECTION 4. Repeal. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 10th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PETER D. GARRUCHO, JR.**

Acting Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 12
PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL
COMMISSION TO FIGHT POVERTY

WHEREAS, mass poverty is the principal problem confronting the nation today, underpinning many national problems and challenges and affecting the great majority of the population;

WHEREAS, the Constitution explicitly mandates in its declaration of principles and state policies that “the State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will . . . free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all”;

WHEREAS, there is a need to formulate a comprehensive program to address the poverty problem and design innovative ways to solve it;

WHEREAS, the government has committed itself to measurable targets and accomplishments in combatting the poverty problem;

WHEREAS, there is a need for well organized interventions that will empower the poor so that they can exercise a more vital role in their development and in the formulation of public policy;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a body which shall gather under one umbrella all government activities designed to help our poor households and communities to catch up with more progressive ones;

WHEREAS, to address poverty, the body should undertake three main types of intervention: ensure the delivery of basic social services to the poorest communities and to make sure that every poor family has a decent minimum of health, nutrition, housing and education; ensure that the poor gain access to agrarian reform, skills training and extension services that will open livelihood opportunities and jobs to them; help poor communities organize cooperatively -- to empower them to take a greater role in their development and to make their voices heard in the making of public policy;

WHEREAS, efficient intervention requires ensuring access to and ownership of resource and capability building.

NOW THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the sovereign will of the Filipino people and the powers vested in me by laws of the land, do hereby order:

Section 1. **The Commission.** -- There is hereby created under the Office of the President, a Presidential Commission to Fight Poverty, hereinafter referred to as the Commission, which shall oversee all government activities on poverty alleviation to ensure pro-poor bias, focus on the poorest of the poor and most needed services, and accelerated implementation of government programs and projects.

Sec. 2. **Composition.** -- The Commission shall be composed of the following:

- a) Executive Secretary or his designated Deputy;
- b) Secretary of Social Welfare and Development;
- c) Secretary of Interior and Local Government;
- d) Secretary of Budget and Management;
- e) Directory-General of the National Economic and Development Authority; and
- f) Three (3) representative from the private sector, to be appointed by the President.

The President shall designate the Chairman from among members of the Commission

Sec. 3. **Functions.** -- The Commission shall have, among others, the following functions:

- a) Prepare a blue print of action that shall embody the Administration's poverty alleviation framework and translate this into short, medium and long-term targets. This shall reflect the priority action areas of the Administration;
- b) Monitor the implementation and impact of government poverty alleviation programs, projects and activities;
- c) Coordinate and integrate government poverty alleviation efforts;
- d) Review and evaluate the level of performance of concerned agencies and activities;
- e) Prod and facilitate the implementation of poverty alleviation activities;
- f) Communicate to the public government's poverty alleviation activities and its impact;
- g) Provide the support and assistance needed by local government units to ensure that they deliver the basic services to their respective constituencies;
- h) Ensure that all government pro-poor programs build the capability of our people to be empowered and to be self-reliant.

Sec. 4. **Implementing Agencies.** -- All existing programs and projects shall continue to be implemented by concerned agencies. The Commission shall call on any government agencies/bodies as it may deem necessary. It may set up task forces/mechanisms to address specific poverty issues.

Sec. 5. **Technical/Administrative Support.** -- The Presidential Management Staff in coordination with the Presidential Commission on Urban Poor shall provide the technical and administrative support to the Commission.

Sec. 6. **Monitoring Arm.** -- The Presidential Action Center shall be the monitoring arm of the Commission on the government's pro-poor programs.

Sec. 7. **Effectivity.** -- This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 15th day of August, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Sr. Deputy Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13
RECONSTITUTING AND RENAMING THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE
ON THE PHILIPPINE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT AS PRESIDENTIAL
COMMITTEE ON THE BATAAN NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

Pursuant to the powers vested in me by law, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 315, s. of 1988, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 1. Name - The Presidential Committee on the Philippine Nuclear Power Plant is hereby renamed The Presidential Committee on the Bataan Nuclear Power Plant and its structure, powers and functions are hereby defined as provided hereinbelow;”

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Executive Order No. 315, s. of 1988, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 2. Composition - The Committee shall be composed of a Chairman to be appointed by the President and, in an ex-officio capacity, the Secretary of Finance as Vice-Chairman, the Secretary of Budget and Management, Secretary of Trade and Industry, Chairman of Presidential Commission on Good Government, Governor of Central Bank, Solicitor General, President of National Power Corporation, and President of the Philippine National Oil Company, as Members.

SEC. 3. In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman shall assume all his functions and responsibilities.

SEC. 4. Compensation - The Vice Chairman and all the members of the said committee shall not be entitled to any additional compensation in the discharge of their respective duties and functions as enumerated therein.

SEC. 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 19th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 14

**GRANTING AN ACROSS-THE-BOARD PENSION INCREASE TO ALL SSS & EC PENSIONERS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL PENSIONS TO SSS PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY PENSIONERS**

WHEREAS, in the light of present economic conditions with increase in prices of practically all commodities, it is deemed necessary and timely to further increase and enhance the pensions of Social Security and Employees' Compensation to make them more meaningful and responsive to the times;

WHEREAS, the government recognizes that SSS regular pensions to its disabled pensioners are intended only to replace part of lost income and do not consider additional expenditures that arise after the onset of disability;

WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 400, which took effect on May 1, 1990, SSS permanent total disability pensioners are entitled to a monthly supplemental pension of three hundred pesos (P300) as financial assistance for regular medication and the acquisition of necessary aids and appliances;

WHEREAS, SSS permanent partial disability pensioners, who are not entitled to a monthly supplemental pension, must likewise be financially assisted in the additional expenses similar to those of SSS permanent total disability pensioners;

WHEREAS, actuarial studies show that the SSS and EC funds can further finance a 10% across-the-board pension increase to all SSS and EC pensioners as of August 31, 1992, and a supplemental benefit of P300 a month for SSS permanent partial disability pensioners without impairing the viability of both funds nor necessitating an increase in the rates of contribution;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The monthly pension of the surviving SSS and EC pensioners as of August 31, 1992 shall be increased by ten per cent (10%).

SEC. 2. The permanent partial disability pensioners of the SSS shall be entitled to a monthly supplemental pension of three hundred pesos (P300).

SEC. 3. This Executive Order shall take effect on September 1, 1992.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 25th of August, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15
CREATING A PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution mandates as a policy of the state, the protection and advancement of the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accordance with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, a National Conservation Strategy, as spelled out in the Philippine Strategy for Sustainable Development (PSSD) which was adopted in 1989, takes a balanced and integrated approach to environment and development issues by incorporating sustainable development principles and concepts in the national priorities of government;

WHEREAS, the Philippines already adhering to the principle of sustainable development actively participated in the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) Summit held in Rio de Janeiro, and committed to the principles set forth in the Rio Declaration, the Agenda 21, the Conventions on Climate Change and Biodiversity;

WHEREAS, the United Nations in UNCED, has adopted a resolution for the creation of a Sustainable Development Commission that will evaluate and monitor the compliance to the agreements and commitments made in Rio and in the course of its creation urged governments to also form similar bodies that will ensure that the activities at the national level are implemented and coordinated within global efforts;

WHEREAS, the agreements oblige the Philippines to translate the commitments to more concrete actions and ensure that all sectors of the society shall be involved in its operationalization;

WHEREAS, in order to achieve these ends, the creation of a national sustainable development council will provide the mechanism for attaining the principles of sustainable development and thus assure its integration in the Philippine national policies, plans and programs that will involve all sectors of the society.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create a Philippine Council for Sustainable Development with membership and functions as provided in the following sections:

SECTION 1. Creation and Composition of the Council.

1) There is hereby created a Philippine Council on Sustainable Development to be headed by the Director-General of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) as Chairperson, and the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources as Vice Chairperson.

2) The Council will have as members committed environmentalists from the following departments of a position of Bureau Director or higher, duly deputized to represent their respective Secretaries:

Department of Foreign Affairs
Department of Science and Technology
Department of Finance
Department of Agriculture
Department of Public Works and Highways
Department of Education, Culture and Sports
Department of Labor and Employment
Department of Health
Department of Trade and Industry
Department of the Interior and Local Government
Department of Social Welfare and Development
Department of Budget and Management
Department of National Defense
Office of Energy Affairs

3) As civil society counterpart, the non-government community shall also have seven (7) representatives in the Council. These representatives shall be selected by the non-government community considering commitment to environmental causes, gender balance, and sectoral representation through a process designed by them.

SEC. 2. Powers and Functions of the Council. The Council shall have the following powers and functions:

- 1) To review and ensure the implementation of the commitments the Philippines made in the light of the UNCED conference;
- 2) To establish guidelines and mechanics that will expand, concretize and operationalize the sustainable development principles as embodied in the Rio Declaration, the UNCED Agenda 21, the National Conservation Strategy, and the Philippine Agenda 21, and incorporate them in the preparation of the Medium Term Development Plan both at the national and local levels with active participation from the non-government sector and people's organizations;
- 3) To provide directions in the form of policy reforms, programs and new legislations that respond to the continuing and emerging issues and charting future actions related to environment and development;
- 4) To act as the coordinating mechanism in cooperation with DFA-Office of the United Nations and Other International Organizations (UNIO) with the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development and actively solicit assistance and cooperation towards the realization of our commitments made at the UNCED;
- 5) To require any and all government agencies for assistance in the form of personnel, facilities, and other resources which is essential for the performance of the duties of the Council;
- 6) To create sub-committees that it may deem fit in the performance of its duties; and
- 7) To perform such other acts which are necessary to carry out its mandated functions and responsibilities.

SEC. 3. The Secretariat. The Council shall be assisted by a Secretariat which shall be based at the National Economic and Development Authority whose composition will be determined by the Director General.

SEC. 4. Transitory Provisions. There shall immediately be convened an interim Technical Working Group of seven members composed of representatives from National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and three representatives from non-government sector, which shall work out the formulation of the operational guidelines for the Council. The working group shall be assisted by a composite secretariat from NEDA and DENR. These transitory groups shall cease its functions upon the Council's meeting and adoption of the operating guidelines within sixty (60) days upon signing of this Order.

SEC 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16

TRANSFERRING THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE COUNCIL OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE INTER-AGENCY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PURSUANT TO BOOK III, TITLE III, CHAPTER 10, SECTION 31, OF THE 1987 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me under Book III, Title III, Chapter 10, Section 31, of the 1987 Administrative Code, do hereby transfer the Technical Assistance Council of the Philippines created under Letter of Instructions No. 858, dated May 11, 1979, and the Inter-Agency Technical Committee on Technical Cooperation Among Developing Countries created under NEDA Memorandum Order No. 6-80, Series of 1980, from the Department of Foreign Affairs to the Office of the President.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

Done in the City of Manila, this 1st day of September, in the year of Our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17
ESTABLISHING THE TECHNICAL COOPERATION COUNCIL OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the Philippine Government is currently engaged in cooperative efforts to promote and strengthen collective self-reliance among developing countries in the context of their national development goals with the end in view of establishing a New International Economic Order;

WHEREAS, the Philippine pledge of US \$500,000 made at UNCTAD IV in Nairobi in 1976 in implementation of technical assistance program in favor of developing countries (LDCs) has been made available and is currently administered by the Technical Assistance Council (TAC);

WHEREAS, the First United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) held in Paris on 1-15 September 1981, finalized and adopted the substantial new Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries, and the Second United Nations Conference on LDCs held again in Paris on 3-14 September 1990, finalized and adopted the Paris Declaration and Programme of Action for the 1990s for the LDCs;

WHEREAS, several resolution have been adopted within the United Nations system, including, inter-alia, the Manila Declaration and Programme of Action on Economic Cooperation Among Developing Countries (ECDC) and the Buenos Aires Plan of Action on Technical Cooperation Among Developing Countries (TCDC) calling for the promotion and implementation of activities under the TCDC and ECDC;

WHEREAS, the First, Second, and Third Biennial Meetings of the Heads of National Agencies for Technical Cooperation have called for the establishment of national focal points to promote TCDC activities;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for a body to act as the focal point to coordinate and implement the Philippine Technical Cooperation Program with other developing countries, including the least development among them, and similar projects and activities implemented by other government agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, by virtue of the power vested in me under Book III, Title III, Chapter 10, Section 31, of the 1987 Administrative Code, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. The Technical Cooperation Council of the Philippines (TCCP), hereinafter referred to as the Council, is hereby created. It shall be responsible for the implementation of the Philippine Technical Cooperation Program in favor of developing countries, particularly the least developed among them, and the coordination of related projects and activities implemented by other agencies of government.

SEC. 2. The Council shall be composed of the Secretary of Foreign Affairs as Chairman, the Director-General of the National Economic and Development Authority as Vice-Chairman, and the Secretary of Agriculture and Food, the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources, the Secretary of Science and Technology, and the Secretary of Trade and Industry, as Members.

The Chairman of the Council, however, may designate other Members to the Council as the need arises.

The Members of the Council may designate their alternates who shall be senior officials of the departments or agencies concerned, not lower than Director level, to attend Council meetings.

SEC. 3. The Council shall be charged with the following responsibilities:

a. Formulate and implement a National Technical Cooperation Program in line with Philippine commitments to Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC) and to Economic Cooperation Among Developing Countries (ECDC), specifying the guiding policies, areas of concern, linkages with national and international agencies, projects to be undertaken at the sectoral level and the implementing mechanisms and strategies;

b. Coordinate all TCDC-related activities participated in by the Philippines, such as international seminars and conferences, technical consultancies, study-visits, exchange programs, etc., and all other projects and activities undertaken by government agencies concerned with technical cooperation among developing countries;

c. Formulates and implement the administrative and financial requirements necessary for the effective implementation of the Philippine Technical Cooperation Program;

d. Administer all funding related to the Philippine Technical Cooperation Program, including the Philippine pledge of US \$500,000 made at UNCTAD IV, and such other funds as may be appropriated for TCDC activities.

e. Accept and administer grants-in-aid and other financial and technical assistance from international organizations and institutions in support of the National Technical Cooperation Program as referred to in Section 3.A; and

f. submit a yearly report on its activities to the President.

SEC. 4. A Secretariat to the Council shall be established in the Department of Foreign Affairs and shall have the following functions and responsibilities.

a. Provide technical and administrative support to the Council;

b. Undertake research on the technical assistance requirements of the Philippines and other developing countries and implement prototype programs to meet such needs;

c. Manage the finances of the Council for projects and other relevant expenditures as may be duly approved by the Council; and

d. Submit a quarterly report of its activities to the Council.

SEC. 5. The Secretariat shall be headed by an Executive Director to be designated by the Chairman of the Council.

SEC. 6. To enable the Secretariat to effectively discharge its functions and responsibilities, the Council shall prepare and submit to the Department of Budget and Management a staffing pattern for the Council Secretariat. Such positions as may be created shall be classified in accordance with existing guidelines.

SEC. 7. The funding requirements of the Technical Cooperation Council of the Philippines shall be taken from the appropriations authorized for the Technical Assistance Council during the year of effectivity and, subsequently, included in the succeeding General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 8. The Council shall formulate and adopt its implementing rules and regulations.

SEC. 9. The functions, appropriations, assets and liabilities of the Technical Assistance Council of the Philippines created under Letter of Instructions No. 858, dated 11 May 1979, and the Inter-Agency Technical Committee on Technical Cooperation Among Developing Countries created under NEDA Memorandum Order No. 6-80, are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Technical Cooperation Council of the Philippines established under this Executive Order.

SEC. 10. This Executive Order repeals Letter of Instructions No. 858, dated 11 May 1979, and NEDA Memorandum Order No. 6-80, Series of 1980.

SEC. 11. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

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BY HE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 18

TRANSFERRING THE TECHNICAL COOPERATION COUNCIL OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PURSUANT TO BOOK III TITLE III, CHAPTER 10, SECTION 31, OF THE 1987 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me under Book III, Title III, Chapter 10, Section 31, of the 1987 Administrative Code, do hereby order the following:

The Technical Cooperation Council of the Philippines created Executive Order No. 16, dated Sept. 1, 1992, is hereby transferred from the Office of the President to the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Section 18 of Executive Order No. 239, dated July 24, 1987, is hereby deemed modified as to substitute the words “Technical Assistance Council” with the words “Technical Cooperation Council of the Philippines.”

3 This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 1st day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19
CONSTITUTING THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION, PRESCRIBING ITS
AUTHORITY AND FUNCTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, a viable general amnesty program and peace process that will lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace are priority concerns of the government;

WHEREAS, to address these concerns and the problem of bringing back the rest of the rebels in our society to the folds of the law, there is need to undertake a comprehensive and participative peace process which will involve all concerned sectors of society in order to generate the collective political will to attain peace with justice;

WHEREAS, there is a need to constitute the National Unification Commission and prescribe its authority and functions to achieve the said objective;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. ORGANIZATION. - There is hereby constituted a National Unification Commission (NUC) which shall be an advisory body to the President, to be composed of a Chairman and four members to be designated by the President, and two members each from both Houses of Congress to be designated by the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively. The Commission shall have a Vice Chairman, who shall be elected by the members from among themselves.

SECTION 2. AUTHORITY AND FUNCTIONS. - In pursuit of its objectives, the Commission shall have the following authority and functions:

a. Formulate and recommend, after consulting with the concerned sectors of society, to the President within ninety (90) days from its formal organization a viable general amnesty program and peace process that will lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the country;

b. Call upon any official, agent, employee, agency or instrumentality of the national or local government for any assistance that may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Executive Order;

c. Review and evaluate the existing National Reconciliation and Development Program (NRDP) pursuant to Executive Order No. 103 dated 24 December 1986 with the view to integrating the program into the general amnesty program and peace process;

d. Prescribe the corresponding duties, functions and working procedures of the Technical Committee and the Secretariat.

SECTION 3. COUNCIL OF ADVISERS. - There is hereby created a Council of Advisers which shall serve as a consultative body on the peace process. It shall be composed of members to be designated by the President upon the recommendation of the Commission.

SECTION 4. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE. - The Commission is hereby authorized to create a Technical Committee and designate the members thereof. The Technical Committee shall provide expert and professional assistance to the Commission.

SECTION 5. SECRETARIAT. - The Commission shall organize its Secretariat to be headed by an Executive Director. The Secretariat which shall be composed of persons designated by the Chairman and those detailed to the Commission, shall provide administrative staff support to the Commission and the Technical Committee. The Executive Director of the Secretariat shall be designated by the Commission.

SECTION 6. OFFICE. - The Commission shall hold office in the National Capital Region. Other offices may be established by the Commission as necessary.

SECTION 7. FUNDING. - The Commission shall be funded with an initial allocation of Twelve Million Pesos (₱12,000,000.00), without prejudice to the Commission submitting a supplemental budget, all to be drawn from the President's Contingent Fund. Appropriation for succeeding years shall be incorporated in budget proposals under the Office of the President.

SECTION 8. ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES. - The Commission shall adopt such administrative guidelines as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order.

The Commission may sit en banc and/or constitute itself into such divisions or committees as it may deem necessary for the speedy, efficient and effective performance of its functions.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY. - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Done in the city of Manila, Philippines, this 1st day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DELA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20
FURTHER AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 4 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 309, S. 1987,
ENTITLED “REORGANIZING THE PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL”

WHEREAS, with the enactment of Republic Act 6975, otherwise known as the “Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990”, the Philippine National Police (PNP) has been created in lieu of the former PC/INP, while the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM) was reorganized, with the Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) as ex-officio Chairman of the new Commission;

WHEREAS, the aforementioned organizational changes have altered the composition and structure of the Peace and Order Council (POC), such that further amendment of Executive Order No. 309, s. 1987, as amended by Executive Order No. 317, s. 1988, is again imperative, to conform with the provisions of Republic Act 6975;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 309, as amended by Executive Order No. 317, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“Section 1. Reorganization of the Peace and Order Council. The Peace and Order Council is hereby reorganized on the national, regional, provincial, city and municipal levels of government to be constituted as follows:

- (a) The National Peace and Order Council (NPOC) shall be composed of the following:
- The Secretary of the Interior and local Government as Chairman;
The Secretary of National Defense as Vice-Chairman;
The Secretary of Justice;
The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development;
The Secretary of Public Works and Highways;
The Secretary of Trade and Industry;
 - The Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources;
 - The Press Secretary;
 - The Director of the National Security Council;
 - The Director of the National Bureau of Investigation;
 - The Vice-Chairman and Executive Officer of the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM);
The Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights;
 - The Executive Director of the Dangerous Drugs Board;

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- The Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Philippines;
The Director-General of the Philippine National Police;
Eight (8) representatives from the private sector, who shall be appointed by the Chairman representing the academe, civic, religious, youth, labor, legal, business and media organizations.
- (b) The Regional Peace and Order Council (RPOC) shall be composed of the regional counterparts of the departments, offices and agencies enumerated in paragraph (a) above, wherever applicable, to be appointed by their respective agency heads. The RPOC Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be appointed by the Chairman of the NPOC.
The Chairman of the RPOC shall appoint at least three (3) representatives from the private sector as enumerated under paragraph (a) above, upon consultation with the members of the RPOC. Departments, offices, and agencies with no regional and/or field offices may deputize their representatives on the sub-national levels.
- (c) The Provincial Peace and Order Council (RPOC) shall be composed of the provincial counterparts of the departments, offices and agencies enumerated in paragraph (a) above, wherever applicable, to be appointed by their respective agency heads, with the Provincial Governor as Chairman and the Provincial Vice-Governor as Vice-Chairman. In addition, there shall be one representative of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to be chosen by it from among its members. The Chairman of the Provincial Peace and Order Council shall appoint at least three (3) representatives of the private sector as enumerated under paragraph (a) above upon consultation with the members of the Council at his level (PPOC). Departments, offices and agencies with no regional and/or field offices may deputize their representatives on the provincial level.
- (d) The City or Municipal Peace and Order Council shall be composed of the city or municipal counterparts of the departments, offices and agencies as enumerated in paragraph (a) above, wherever applicable, to be appointed by their respective agency heads with the City or Municipal Mayor as Chairman and the respective Vice-Mayor as Vice-Chairman. In addition, there shall be one representative of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or Sangguniang Bayan, as the case may be, to be chosen by said Sanggunian from among its members. The Chairman of the CPOC or MPOC shall appoint one representative from the Veterans group of the locality and at least three (3) representatives of the private sector as enumerated under paragraph (a) above, upon consultation with the members of the Council at his level (CPOC or MPOC). Departments, offices and agencies with no regional and/or field offices and agencies with no regional and/or field offices may deputize their representative on the city or municipal levels.”

SEC. 2. Section 4 of Executive Order No. 309 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section. 4. Peace and Order Council Secretariat. - There shall be a Peace and Order Council Secretariat which shall handle the administrative and technical activities of the Peace and Order Council that is organized in the various administrative levels of government. Specifically, the Secretariat shall prepare plans and programs for the consideration of the Councils; supervise, direct and monitor for the Council implementation of approved policies, plans and programs;

undertake liaisoning and coordination of activities with appropriate agencies of the government and provide a forum for inter-disciplinary dialogue and deliberation of major issues and problems affecting peace and order.

“The national and regional offices of the NAPOLCOM shall serve as the secretariat of the NPOC and RPOC, respectively, with the Vice-Chairman and Executive Officer of the NAPOLCOM acting as the Secretary-General at the national level and the NAPOLCOM Regional Director acting as head of the RPOC Secretariat.

“At the provincial, city and municipal levels, the Secretariat of the PPOC, CPOC and MPOC shall be headed by the most senior DILG officer stationed in the province, city or municipality.

“The Secretariat, at all levels shall be assisted in its functions and duties by the regular staff of the office of the Council Chairman.”

SEC. 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 21
AUTHORIZING THE REPRESENTATION OF THE LABOR SECTOR
IN THE PRICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7681 otherwise known as the “Price Act”, was enacted to protect consumers against unreasonable increases of basic necessities and prime commodities;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Republic Act 7581, the Price Coordinating Council was established with a function to, among others, coordinate the productivity, distribution and stabilization programs, projects and measures of the Government;

WHEREAS, the present composition of the Price Coordinating Council includes representatives from various private sectors, namely: the consumer sector, agricultural producers trading sector, and manufacturing sector;

WHEREAS, the labor sector should be given a parallel role/responsibility in the stabilization of prices of basic and prime commodities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Price Coordinating Council and/or the implementing government agencies of the “Price Act of 1991”, which are the Department of Trade and Industry, Department of Agriculture, Department of Health and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, may depute any of the recognized national labor organizations in the monitoring of prices of basic necessities and prime commodities.

Sec. 2. The labor sector shall be represented during consultative meetings, both on national and local levels, of the Price Coordinating Council, Provided, however, the representative of the labor sector shall sit as a non-voting member of the council.

Sec. 3. The National and Local Representatives of the labor sector in the Price Coordinating Council shall be appointed by the President and the Chairman of the Local Price Coordinating Council, respectively, for a term similar to that of their respective counterparts from the private sector.

Sec. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 8th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 22
TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, the mandate of the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) and the program of the government of expanding irrigated farmlands in order to better program the production of agricultural crops, increase the productivity of our farmers and ensure a stable supply of farm commodities could be better pursued, and coordination with the different departments and agencies of the government which need the services of the NIA could be properly handled, if the NIA is placed under the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the NIA is presently attached to the Department of Public Works and Highways pursuant to Section 25, Chapter 6, Title V; Book IV of Executive Order No. 292 dated July 25, 1987, otherwise known as the “Administrative Code of 1987”; and

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of the 1987 grants the President of the Philippines a continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President by, among others, transferring any agency or function of any executive department to the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the transfer of the National Irrigation Administration from the Department of Public Works and Highways to the Office of the President.

This Executive Order shall take effect upon its publication in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 14th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23
AMENDING SECTION 2 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 338,
CREATING THE ENERGY COORDINATING COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, under Section 2 of Executive Order No. 338 dated 30 September 1988, the Executive Secretary, Office of the President, was designated as Chairman of the Energy Coordinating Council;

WHEREAS, the country's Energy and related problems have increased tremendously as to require a change in the chairmanship of the Council with an official who can devote full attention, time and effort thereto;

WHEREAS, past experience had shown that consultations and coordination with the Departments of Trade and Industry, Environment and Natural Resources, Finance, and Justice, and the private sector are relevant and helpful in solving the energy crisis;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the amendment of Executive Order No. 338, as follows:

Section 1. Section 2 of Executive Order No. 338 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. Composition of the Council. - The Council shall be composed of the Presidential Adviser on Energy Affairs, Office of the President, as Chairman, and the following as members:

1. Executive Director, Office of Energy Affairs;
2. President, Philippine National Oil Company;
3. President, National Power Corporation;
4. Administrator, National Electrification Administration;
5. Secretary, Department of Trade and Industry;
6. Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources;
7. Secretary, Department of Finance;
8. Secretary, Department of Justice; and
9. Two (2) representatives of the private sector.

The members of the Council shall elect from among themselves a Vice-Chairman.
Sec. 2. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of September, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) DIONISIO C. DE LA SERNA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 24
STRENGTHENING THE EXPORT AND INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NOS. 499 AND 520, TO INCREASE
THE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Export and Investment Development Council was a clear manifestation of government's strong resolve to adopt export and investment development as a national policy of the highest priority;

WHEREAS, there is still a need to catalyze total national commitment to exports and investments from all concerned sectors of the society; and

WHEREAS, the prioritization of exports and investments can best be effected and carried out with the involvement of the Office of the President and equal private sector representation in all decisions made by the Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of E.O. 499, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. Composition. The Export and Investment Development Council shall be composed of the following:

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| a. Secretary of Trade and Industry | - Chairman |
| b. Secretary of Finance | - Vice Chairman |
| c. Secretary of Foreign Affairs | - Member |
| d. Director-General of National Economic & Development Authority | - Member |
| e. Governor of the Central Bank of the Philippine | - Member |
| f. Presidential Assistant for Visayas | - Member |
| g. Presidential Assistant for Mindanao | - Member |
| h. Seven (7) Representative of the Private Sector | - Members” |

SEC. 2. The Council shall meet at least once a month, and at least once every quarter with the President. Provided, whenever the President deems its necessary, he may convene the Council.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 5th day of October, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 25
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 403 AND FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE
TRIPARTITE INDUSTRIAL PEACE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, industrial peace is a fundamental requisite of national growth, development and social justice;

WHEREAS, industrial peace can be attained through meaningful tripartite consultations among the Labor, Employer and Government sectors in the formulation and implementation of labor, economic and social policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. There is hereby established the Tripartite Industrial Peace Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council, composed of the Secretary of Labor and Employment as Chairman and twelve (12) representatives each from the tripartite sectors, to be designated by the President. The President may replace or increase the number of sectoral representatives as circumstances may warrant.

SEC. 2. The Chairman, upon consultation with or recommendation of the Council, may constitute regional or industry-wide tripartite councils to assist in the attainment of the objectives of this Executive Order. Such regional or industry-wide councils shall be composed of the Regional Director, Department of Labor and Employment, as Chairman, and five (5) representatives each from the tripartite sectors, to be designated by the Chairman of the Council upon nomination by the tripartite sectors in consultation with the regions concerned.

SEC. 3. The members of the Council shall continuously serve as such so long as they remain with their respective sectors, or until their resignation or replacement by the President.

SEC. 4. The Chairman of the Council shall convene the same at his own initiative or at the request of either or any of the sectors represented in the Council.

SEC. 5. The Council shall have the following functions:

1. To monitor the full implementation and sectoral compliance with the provisions of the Industrial Peace Accord (IPA);

2. To assist in the preparation and conduct of national tripartite conferences which the President of the Philippines or the Secretary of Labor and Employment may call from time to time to review existing labor, economic and social policies and to evaluate local and international developments affecting them;

3. To formulate, for submission to the President or to Congress, tripartite views, recommendations and proposals on labor, economic and social concerns, as well as to present tripartite positions on relevant bills pending with Congress;

4. To advise the Secretary of Labor and Employment in the formulation or implementation of major policies as well as in major decision-making processes affecting labor and employment.

SEC. 6. The Council, through the Chairman, shall make a periodic report of its activities to the President.

SEC. 7. The Department of Labor and Employment shall provide the Council with a support staff which will perform secretariat, research and technical functions and serve as the Council's liaison and coordinative arm with Congress and other government agencies.

SEC. 8. Nothing herein shall restrict the prerogative of the President and the Secretary of Labor and Employment in calling for periodic consultations with the members of the Council, or shall diminish the authority of the Secretary of Labor and Employment or other tripartite agencies as defined in existing laws.

SEC. 9. This Executive Order amends Executive Order No. 403, issued on 30 May 1990, and shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, this 7th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE

Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 26
PRESCRIBING PROCEDURES AND SANCTIONS TO ENSURE
SPEEDY DISPOSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE CASES

WHEREAS, the Constitution guarantees the speedy disposition of cases, including those brought before administrative and quasi-judicial bodies;

WHEREAS, Book VII of the Administrative Code of 1987 (Executive Order No. 292) prescribes the Administrative Procedure to be observed by all government agencies, including departments, bureaus, boards, offices, commissions, and similar bodies;

WHEREAS, Section 14, Chapter 3, of said Administrative Procedure mandates that all government agencies “shall decide each case within thirty (30) days following its submission” for resolution;

WHEREAS, the same Administrative Procedure was prescribed in the interest of speedy and inexpensive disposition of cases;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to issue regulations to government agencies to fully implement the said Administrative Procedure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order all government agencies to strictly observe the following regulations in the disposition of cases:

1. **Period For Deciding Cases or Incidents**

- 1.1. Unless a different period is fixed by special law, all contested cases or incidents shall be decided within thirty (30) days from the date of submission for resolution pursuant to Section 14, Chapter 3, Book VII of the Administrative Code of 1987.
- 1.2. Where the officer’s action is only recommendatory to his immediate superior or head of office, he shall submit his recommendation within twenty (20) days from date of submission of the case or incident for resolution. The approving officer shall have ten (10) days from submission of the recommendation to decide the case or incident.
- 1.3. A case or incident is deemed submitted for resolution upon expiration of the period for filing the memorandum, position paper or last pleading required of the parties.
- 1.4. Every officer charged with the resolution of cases or incidents shall submit to his immediate superior, head of office, or officer exercising administrative supervision over him, within ten (10) days following the end of every month, a sworn **Statement of Disposition of Cases** (Annex “A”) declaring that all cases or incidents submitted to him for resolution have been decided within the prescribed period.
- 1.5. Only one motion for reconsideration shall be allowed, which shall be decided within fifteen (15) days from date of submission for resolution. No other pleading shall be allowed other than the motion for reconsideration and opposition thereto.
- 1.6. Cases and incidents pending resolution upon the effectivity of this Executive Order shall be decided within thirty (30) days from effectivity of this Executive Order.

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- 1.7. The salary of any officer who fails to submit the **Statement of Disposition of Cases** within the prescribed period shall be, or cause to be, withheld by the head of office or immediate supervisor until the said officer complies with paragraph 1.4 above. This is without prejudice to the imposition of other appropriate penalties as may be provided by law, rules and regulations.
 2. **Abbreviation of Proceedings.** All administrative agencies are hereby directed to adopt and include in their respective Rules of Procedure the following provisions:
 - 2.1. Rules encouraging the parties and their counsels to enter into amicable settlement, compromise and arbitration in accordance with Section 10, Chapter 3, Book VII of the Administrative Code of 1987;
 - 2.2. Rules adopting, unless otherwise provided by special laws and without prejudice to Section 12, Chapter 3, Book VII of the Administrative Code of 1987, the mandatory use of affidavits in lieu of direct testimonies and the preferred use of depositions whenever practicable and convenient;
 - 2.3. Rules requiring the parties, unless otherwise provided by special laws, to submit in addition to the memorandum, position paper, or last pleading required of them, a draft of the decision they seek, stating clearly and distinctly the facts and the law upon which it is based. Following the termination of the hearing or trial, the officer, board or commission charged with resolving the case may, after considering and appreciating the applicable laws, rules and regulations and the evidence submitted, adopt, in whole or in part, either of the parties' draft decisions, or reject both. This requirement shall likewise be applied to motions or applications for orders other than the final judgment; and
 - 2.4. Rules avoiding postponements of hearings or trials and other dilatory tactics which the parties or their counsels might employ.

Administrative agencies shall adopt the foregoing rules not later than forty-five (45) days from the effectivity of this Executive Order.

3. **Applicability.** In accordance with Section 2, Chapter 1, Book VII of the Administrative Code, these regulations shall, unless otherwise provided by special laws, apply to government agencies, including any department, bureau, board, office, commission, authority or officer of the National Government authorized by law or executive order to adjudicate cases.
These regulations shall not apply to the Congress, the Judiciary, the Constitutional Commissions, military establishments in all matters relating exclusively to Armed Forces personnel, the Board of Pardons and Parole, and state universities and colleges.
 4. **Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall take effect twenty (20) days following the completion of its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
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DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 7th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE
Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex "A"

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 27
DIRECTING THE CONCERNED DEPARTMENTS TO ENSURE THE SUCCESSFUL STAGING
OF THE 1ST PHILIPPINE SPORTS SUMMIT THIS YEAR

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 408 called for the nationwide observance of the Decade of Physical Fitness and Sports from 1990 to the year 2000;

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 6847 which created the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), the national policy and program for Philippine sports has been set;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Republic Act No. 7160, or better known as the Local Government Code, the local government units (LGUs) shall provide for the annual implementation of the 'Palaro' from the barangay, city and provincial levels;

WHEREAS, the responsibility of implementing our country's physical education and school sports program lies with the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS);

WHEREAS, in order to evolve a wholistic approach for the immediate implementation of a comprehensive national policy and program for Philippine sports in general, there is a need to stage a national consultative and planning conference among all sectors involved, both government and private, to be known as the 1st Philippine Sports Summit '92.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. - A nationwide consultation and workshop among all sectors, both government and private, concerned in the promotion of sports in the country to be known as the 1st Philippine Sports Summit be immediately held this year in order to draw up a short, medium and long term plan for physical fitness and sports.

The Sports Summit '92 shall have the following goals and objectives:

- To formulate the blueprint for Physical Fitness and Sports Development and validate the existing national policy and program to ensure the immediate implementation of a short, medium and long-term plan of action for both the mass-based sports development and the highly competitive sports for excellence programs;
- To identify the various sectors involved, the roles that each play, and delineate areas of responsibility with the end view of synchronizing and maximizing efforts and utilization of resources for the promotion and development of Philippine sports vis-a-vis national development; and
- To set up the organization structure - i.e. the funding, composition or network and linkages as well as the functions of the sports development councils - from the barangay to the regional level, as mandated under R.A. No. 6847, thereby forging a working relationship among the various sectors and agencies involved in the implementation of the national policy and program on Philippine sports.

SEC. 2. - The Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), together with the Departments of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS), Interior and Local Governments (DILG), and the National Defense (DND), Labor and Employment (DOLE) and other concerned government instrumentalities are hereby directed to actively participate in the Sports Summit to be held in Baguio City on October 26 to 29 of this year to ensure that a comprehensive national medium-term plan for Philippine sports be adopted and implemented at the pre-regional, regional, national and international levels.

SEC. 3. - The PSC shall provide funds for reasonable financial requirements of the Sports Summit while the DECS, DILG, local government units, DND, DOLE and other concerned government agencies or instrumentalities are hereby authorized to draw from their respective funds to finance the transportation and per diem of their participants to the Sports Summit.

In order to properly monitor and sustain the implementation of the grass-roots sports program, all local government units, from the barangay to the provincial levels, are hereby directed to conduct their own local 'Sports Summits' at least once a year and submit a report on the progress of their respective sports program to the Philippines Sports Commission.

SEC. 4. - All Heads of Department, government agencies, corporations and instrumentalities, including all the local government units are hereby directed to fully support and actively participate in this Sports Summit in order to ensure the attainment of its goals and objectives.

All private associations, clubs and organizations, including private sectors, particularly the Philippine Olympic Committee, the various national sports associations, coaches and athletes are hereby enjoined to lend their full cooperation to this undertaking.

Done in the City of Manila, this 13th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 28
CREATING THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE
TWENTY-FOURTH ASEAN ECONOMIC MINISTERS (AEM) MEETING AND
THE POST AEM MEETING WITH JAPAN ON 19-24 OCTOBER 1992

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Bali Summit of 23-25 February 1976, the ASEAN economic ministers have been mandated to hold regular meetings on economic matters or as deemed necessary in order to formulate recommendations for the strengthening of ASEAN economic cooperation, review the coordination of implementation of agreed ASEAN programmes and projects on economic cooperation, and exchange views and consult on national development plans and policies as a step towards harmonizing regional development;

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Economic Ministers have been meeting on a regular basis pursuant to the decision at the Bali Summit, with member countries acting as hosts on rotation basis;

WHEREAS, the Singapore Summit agreed that to further accelerate joint efforts in enhancing intra-ASEAN economic cooperation, ASEAN shall adopt appropriate new economic measures directed toward sustaining ASEAN economic growth and development which are essential to the stability and prosperity of the region;

WHEREAS, the Singapore Declaration of 1992 states that an ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) shall be established using the Common Effective Preferential Tariff (CEPT) Scheme as the main instrument to reach the objective of tariffs of 0%-5% within 15 years beginning 01 January 1993;

WHEREAS, it is now the turn of the Philippine Government to play host to the Twenty-Fourth ASEAN Economic Ministers' (AEM) Meeting and the Post-AEM Meeting with Japan;

WHEREAS, there is a need to create a special committee which shall administer, implement and coordinate all activities related to the preparations for the Twenty-Fourth ASEAN Economic Ministers' Meeting and the Post-AEM Meeting with Japan;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a Coordinating Committee for the Twenty-Fourth ASEAN Economic Ministers' Meeting and the Post-AEM Meeting with Japan, hereinafter referred to as the Coordinating Committee, which shall be composed of members of the Philippine Council on ASEAN Cooperation (PCAC) on Economic Matters with the Secretary of the Department of Trade and Industry, as Chairman, and the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs and the Director General of the National Economic and Development Authority, as Vice-Chairmen. The other members of the Coordinating Committee shall be the Secretaries/Heads of the following government departments/agencies, to wit:

- 1. Presidential Management Staff;*
- 2. Office of the Press Secretary;*
- 3. Department of Budget and Management;*
- 4. Philippine National Police;*

- 5 *Department of Transportation and Communications;*
- 6 *Ninoy Aquino International Airport; and*
- 7 *Department of Tourism*

The Chairman, Vice-Chairmen, and members may designate their respective representatives to the Coordinating Committee.

SECTION 2. *The Coordinating Committee shall supervise the technical preparations and conference arrangements for the meetings. It shall establish a Secretariat to be located at the Department of Trade and Industry to service the National Organizing Committee.*

SECTION 3. *The Chairman of the Coordinating Committee is hereby empowered to call upon any agency of the Philippine Government to assist in the discharge of the duties and responsibilities of the Coordinating Committee, and designate such personnel as may be required under the circumstances.*

SECTION 4. *The Department of Trade and Industry is hereby authorized to use its current savings to defray the budgetary requirements of the meetings. In the event of a shortfall in the budgetary requirements, the Department of Budget and Management is hereby directed to release the necessary amount from the Contingent Fund, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.*

SECTION 5. *This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.*

Done in the City of Manila, this 14th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE

Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 29
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 198, SERIES OF

I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Section 3(b) of Executive Order No. 198 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 3. **Nominations.**

(B) ALL NOMINATIONS SHALL BE FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Section 2. Section 4 of the Executive Order no. 198 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section. 4. TERM. – THE TERM OF THE APPOINTED SECTORAL REPRESENTATIVES SHALL END AT THE SAME TIME AS THAT OF THE OTHER ELECTED MEMBERS OF CONGRESS DURING WHOSE TERM THEY WERE APPOINTED.”

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 27th day of October, in the year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President
(Sgd.) **EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.**
Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 30
ESTABLISHING THE BONDOC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Bondoc Peninsula, which is composed of twelve (12) municipalities, is the largest of the four (4) districts of the Province of Quezon;

WHEREAS, there is a need to foster self-reliance and accelerate the implementation of projects in the Peninsula so that development efforts will be more meaningful and effective;

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Council, Southern Tagalog Region, has approved the Bondoc Development Program (BDP) for the development of Bondoc Peninsula in Quezon Province;

WHEREAS, the BDP recognizes the different roles of the national offices, local government units, non-governmental organizations, and the peoples organizations in accelerating the development of Bondoc Peninsula and uplifting the socio-economic status of its population;

WHEREAS, there is a need for an effective and viable mechanism consistent with the provisions of Executive Order No. 363, series of 1989;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Establishment of the Bondoc Development Program Office. There is hereby established an ad-hoc administrative mechanism under the Office of the President for the formulation and implementation of development programs and projects for the Bondoc Peninsula to be known as the Bondoc Development Program Office. The Bondoc Development Program shall be composed of a Project Governing Board and a Project Management Unit with principal office in Catanauan, Quezon.

SEC. 2. Composition and Functions of the Project Governing Board. The Project Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as the Board, shall be composed of the Provincial Governor of the Province of Quezon, the NEDA Region IV Regional Director, the Project Director of the Project Management Office, a representative of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to be elected by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Quezon, Provincial Heads of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Agrarian Reform, Department of Education, Culture and Sports, Department of Health and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the representative of all the twelve (12) Municipal Mayors of Bondoc Peninsula who is elected from among themselves, the Congressman of the 3rd District of Quezon or his/her authorized representative, nine (9) representatives of the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), including Peoples Organizations (POs), and a Representative of the German Agency for Technical Cooperation (GTZ) as a non-voting member. The Chairman of the Board shall be the Provincial Governor of Quezon Province.

The Board shall provide direction, coordination, and supervision over the implementation of BDP, and shall serve as a forum for addressing common inter-area and inter-agency concerns. It shall have the following functions:

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- a) To formulate policies to guide project implementation;
 - b) To formulate guidelines for coordination of line agencies involved in the project;
 - c) To approve development plans according to the phasing of BDP;
 - d) To approve Annual Plan of Operations and endorse annual project budget for approval;
 - e) To recommend project budget for Philippine Counterpart funds and to make available development funds from other sources;
 - f) To ensure auditing of funds of the BDP operations and approve the organizational structure of the Project Management Office;
 - g) To approve and enter into agreement or contract with other institutions and authorize the Chairman to sign on its behalf Provided, that relevant contracts such as civil work contracts and supply contracts shall be subject to further approval as necessary in accordance with existing laws and regulations; and
 - h) To submit to the Office of the President, to the RDC and Congress periodic reports on the BDP and such other reports as may be required.

The Project Director of the Project Management Office shall act as the Secretariat to the Board.

SEC. 3. Functions and Structure of the Project Management Unit. The Project Management Unit shall assist the Board in undertaking the day-to-day activities of BDP. It shall have the following functions:

- a) To carry-out the day-to-day decisions and operations regarding implementation of BDP and its administration including personnel decisions based on set policies and approved plan of operations;
- b) To submit a comprehensive physical and financial progress reports every six months to the Board and to the GTZ;
- c) To coordinate with line agencies, local government units, financing institutions, non-governmental organizations, and other concerned entities in the implementation of BDP;
- d) To coordinate the preparation by the line agencies and local government units of the multi-year and annual plans and investment programs of BDP so that the plans and budgets are integrated with the BDP, and submit the same to the Board for its review and endorsement;
- e) To undertake periodic review and evaluation of BDP and shall, for the purpose, design and operate a program implementation and monitoring and evaluation system; and
- f) To perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Board.

The Project Management Unit shall be headed by a full-time Filipino Project Director to be appointed by the Board. It shall have a complement of technical and administrative support staff, the structure and size of which shall be determined by the Board.

Within the PMU, the Provincial and respective Municipal Planning and Development Offices shall be harnessed to assist in the monitoring and coordination of program and project implementation.

SEC. 4. Role of the Governor and the Municipal Mayor. The Provincial Governor of Quezon and the Municipal Mayors of the twelve (12) towns covered by the Bondoc Development Program through their respective Planning and Development Offices shall have the following roles;

- a) They shall coordinate the preparation and consolidation of their respective annual project work and financial plans with the line agencies, non-governmental organizations, and other local government units;
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- b) They shall assist in the coordination and in monitoring the implementation of approved projects in their areas in accordance with the guidelines and policies set by BDP;
 - c) They shall submit periodic reports on their operations and performance to the Bondoc Development Program Office; and
 - d) To undertake such other functions as may be deemed appropriate by the BDP in pursuit of the goals and objectives of the development projects.

SEC. 5. Role of Line Agencies. The line agencies, subject to the direction, supervision and control of the Project Governing Board shall be responsible for planning, work and fund programming, and project implementation of their respective Bondoc Peninsula projects and development activities. To ensure effective planning, programming and monitoring of BDP projects implementation, the concerned line agencies are hereby directed to second the necessary personnel to BDP as required.

SEC. 6. Duration of the Bond Development Program. The BDP shall have a term of 6 years from the date of the effectivity of Executive Order: Provided, the President upon the recommendation of the Regional Development Council may phase out the Office if deemed appropriate even before the end of its life span, or, if found operationally effective, extend the life of the Office as necessary for the duration of the completion of the program. After its terms, all assets and liabilities of BDP shall be turned over to the Office of the President for proper disposal and liquidation.

SEC. 7. Funding and Funds Flow. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is hereby directed to allocate from any applicable funds the appropriate amount required by the project for personnel, maintenance and other operating expenses, and capital outlay expenses. The DBM shall provide the funding requirement for BDP operations under the budget of the foreign-assisted funds in the annual appropriations act.

The DBM is further directed to release the BDP project funds directly to the Bondoc Development Program Office subject to the applicable accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SEC. 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 28th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 31
DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT LENDING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
TO IMPLEMENT THE SUGAR RESTITUTION LAW

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7202 authorizes the restitution of losses suffered by sugar producers from Crop Year 1974-1975 up to Crop Year 1984-1985 due to the actions of government-owned and controlled agencies;

WHEREAS, for loan accounts incurred by sugar produces from Crop Year 1974-1975 up to Crop Year 1984-1985, Section 3 of the same Act directs and authorizes government lending financial institutions to condone interest charged in excess of twelve per cent (12%) per annum, including penalties and sur-charges and to liberalize the terms of payment on the principal and interest of recomputed loans;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to immediately implement the restitution program to revitalize the sugar industry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Philippine National Bank, the Republic Planters Bank, the Development Bank of the Philippines, and other government-owned and controlled financial institutions shall, individually or collectively, immediately formulate and implement a comprehensive program for the immediate write off from their respective books of interest in excess of twelve per cent (12%) per annum and all penalties and surcharges due from sugar producers on account of loan obligations they incurred from Crop Year 1974-1975 up to and including Crop Year 1984-1985.

The said financial institutions shall coordinate with sugar producers concerned to facilitate the recomputation of their loan obligations, which shall be payable in accordance with the schedule prescribed under Section 3(b) of Republic Act No. 7202.

SECTION 2. In cases, however, where sugar producers have no outstanding loan balance with said financial institutions as of the date of effectivity of R.A. No. 7202 (i.e., the sugar producers have fully paid their loans either through actual payment or foreclosure of collateral, or the sugar producers have partially paid their loans and after the recomputation of the interest charges, they end up with excess payments to said financial institutions), the sugar producers cannot claim from said financial institutions refund of interest in excess of twelve per cent (12%) per annum but instead, they may submit claims for reimbursement of such excess payments with the implementing agency that shall be designated to implement Section 2 of R.A. No. 7202.

SECTION 3. The respective Presidents or their equivalent of the said financial institutions shall be responsible for carrying out the provisions of this Order. They shall submit to the Executive Secretary, as soon as practicable, a compliance report, which shall include a summary of the actions taken pursuant to this Order.

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 29th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 32
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 160 TO PROVIDE FOR THE
ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS
OF THE COMMISSION ON POPULATION BOARD

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 160, dated 13 April 1987, reconstituted the Board of the Commission on Population and designated the Secretary of the Department of Social Welfare and Development as Chairman of the Board to strengthen the Commission and to make its Board more responsive to the tasks assigned to it by the 1987 Constitution;

WHEREAS, there is a need to further strengthen the Board of the Commission on Population in the light of the invigorated drive to pursue the integration of population with national development efforts;

WHEREAS, election of the Commission on Population Board Chairman from among the members of the Board shall allow for a more effective leadership in the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 6 of Presidential Decree No. 79, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 6. Board of Commissioners - All the functions and powers of the Population Commission shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as the Board, composed of eleven (11) members from the government and three (3) members as representatives of the private sector, as follows:

Secretary of Social Welfare and Development
Director-General of the National Economic and Development Authority
The Secretary of Health
The Secretary of Local Government
The Secretary of Labor and Employment
The Secretary of Agriculture
The Secretary of Agrarian Reform
The Secretary of Trade and Industry
The Secretary of Public Works and Highways
The Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports
The Director of the University of the Philippines Population Institute
Three Private Sector Representatives who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the President of the Philippines.
The Board shall elect the Chairman from among its members.

SECTION 2. All laws, order, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 31st day of October, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE
Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 33

AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 115, S. 1986 ENTITLED
“REORGANIZING THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL AND DEFINING ITS MEMBERSHIP,
FUNCTION, AND AUTHORITY AND OTHER PURPOSES”

WHEREAS, the restoration of political stability and the enhancement of economic development are interdependent, requiring the active participation and support of all branches of government and all sectors of society;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a mechanism to enhance coordination between the executive and the legislative branches in the formulation and integration of policies affecting national security;

WHEREAS, the National Security Council as presently constituted is limited to the members of the executive department;

WHEREAS, there is a need to expand the membership of the National Security Council to meet the increasing needs and requirements of the national leadership for reliable information and competent advice coming from a broader segment of society;

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize agencies or units under the Office of the President;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 115 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. The National Security Council (hereinafter referred to as the NSC) is hereby reorganized. It shall henceforth be composed of the following:

1. President as Chairman;
2. Vice-President;
3. Senate President;
4. Speaker of the House of Representatives;
5. Senate President Pro-Tempore;
6. Speaker Pro-Tempore;
7. Majority Floor Leader of the Senate;
8. Majority Floor Leader of the House;
9. Minority Floor Leader of the Senate;
10. Minority Floor Leader of the House;
11. Chairman, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations;
12. Chairman, Senate Committee on National Defense and Security;
13. Chairman, House Committee on Foreign Relations;
14. Chairman, House Committee on National Defense;
15. Chairman, House Committee on Public Order and Security;
16. Executive Secretary;

17. National Security Director General;
18. Secretary of Foreign Affairs;
19. Secretary of National Defense;
20. Secretary of Justice;
21. Secretary of Interior and Local Government;
22. Secretary of Science and Technology;
23. Secretary of Labor and Employment;
24. Secretary of Trade and Industry;
25. Secretary of Finance;
26. Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources;
27. NEDA Director-General; and
28. Past Residents of the Philippines,

and such other government officials and private citizens as the President may designate from time to time.

The Director-General of the National Intelligence Coordinating Agency, the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the Chief of the Philippine National Police, the Director of the National Bureau of Investigation and the Governor of Central Bank shall attend the meetings of the Council as may be necessary to advise and assist in the deliberations.”

SECTION 2. Section 2 of the same Executive Order is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 2. The NSC shall have an Executive Committee composed of the following:

1. President as Chairman;
2. Senate President or his representative;
3. Speaker of the House or his representative;
4. National Security Director General;
5. Secretary of Foreign Affairs;
6. Secretary of National Defense;
7. Secretary of Justice;
8. Secretary of Interior and Local Government; and
9. NEDA Director-General,

and such other members or advisers as the President may designate from time to time.

The Executive Committee shall review national security issues and concerns, and formulate positions and/or solutions for consideration by the NSC. It shall determine the agenda and order of business of the NSC, and shall ensure that decisions of the NSC are clearly communicated to the agencies concerned. It shall advise the President on the implementation of decisions.

To carry out the functions of the Executive Committee, the Chairman shall utilize the facilities and expertise of any of the government agencies and instrumentalities, and shall promulgate rules and regulations to govern the operations of the Executive Committee.”

SECTION 3. The NSC shall be an advisory body to the President. The National Security Director General shall ensure that policies formulated by the NSC and approved by the President are effectively and efficiently implemented.

SECTION 4. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or any part thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 18th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 34
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 309, SERIES OF 1987,
REORGANIZING THE PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 309, series of 1987, reorganized the Peace and Order Council in line with the thrust of the government to strengthen the enforcement of the laws and the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to further strengthen the collective efforts of the government towards this end by allowing more flexibility in the organization of the Regional Peace and Order Council

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order the amendment of Section 1(b) of Executive Order No. 309, series of 1987, to read as follows:

“(b) The Regional Peace and Order Council shall be composed of the regional counterparts of the departments, offices and agencies enumerated in paragraph (a) above, wherever applicable, to be appointed by their respective agency heads, with the Regional Director of the Department of the Interior and Local Government or any government official as may be designated by the President, as Chairman. x x x”

This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 25th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 35

Based on the records available on file and in the possession of Malacañang Records Office, Executive Order No. 35 of Presidential Issuances of Fidel V. Ramos was certified by their office as a reserved number and that no original copy of this issuance was forwarded and released to them.

Malacañang Records Office. (2015). *[Memorandum: certification and official count of Presidential Issuances]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 36

Based on the records available on file and in the possession of Malacañang Records Office, Executive Order No. 36 of Presidential Issuances of Fidel V. Ramos was certified by their office as a reserved number and that no original copy of this issuance was forwarded and released to them.

Malacañang Records Office. (2015). *[Memorandum: certification and official count of Presidential Issuances]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 37
RESTATING THE PRIVATIZATION POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 50, s. 1986, launched a program for the disposition and privatization of government corporations and/or the assets thereof and created the Committee on Privatization (COP) and the Asset Privatization Trust (APT);

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7181, s. 1992, extended the life of the COP and APT from December 8, 1991 up to December 31, 1993;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order Nos. 8 and 9, s. 1992, directed the identification of idle government properties and recommended to the President an action plan for the disposition of such properties;

WHEREAS, 122 government owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs) were approved for privatization while 179 GOCCs were identified for retention, abolition, regularization or other dispositive modes;

WHEREAS, of the 122 GOCCs for privatization, 72 GOCCs were privatized/disposed as of September 30, 1992 generating gross sales proceeds of ₱22 billion;

WHEREAS, 399 transferred assets were entrusted to APT for disposition, of which 288 were privatized/disposed as of September 30, 1992, generating gross sales proceeds of ₱31 billion;

WHEREAS, the privatization program has proven successful and beneficial to the economy in terms of expanding private economic activity, improving investment climate, broadening ownership base and developing capital markets, and generating substantial revenues for priority government expenditures;

WHEREAS, there is still much potential for harnessing private initiative to undertake in behalf of government certain activities which can be more effectively and efficiently undertaken by the private sector;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Restatement of Policy. - The National Government hereby reaffirms its privatization policy to promote an orderly, coordinated and efficient program for the privatization of government entities, assets or activities which are better managed, undertaken or owned by the private sector.

Section 2. Privatization of GOCCs approved for Disposition.- Pursuant to the principles provided in Proclamation No. 50, s. 1986, the COP designated disposition entities shall submit to the COP a privatization action plan for all GOCCs approved for divestment as listed in Annex "A" within one month (1) from issuance hereof; Provided, that said action plan must contain a description of the privatization process to be adopted and a time frame for each step thereof. Said action plan shall include an offer to sell the company's shares/assets within five (5) months from its approval by the COP.

Section 3. Review of GOCCs for Retention. - The Government Corporate Monitoring and Coordinating Committee (GCMCC) shall review the need to retain the GOCCs which were previously approved for retention, including but not limited to those listed in Annex "B" hereof, and submit

its recommendation of companies, activities or assets thereof of a second group of GOCCs for privatization, to the COP within two (2) months from issuance hereof.

Section 4. Designation of Disposition Entity. - The COP shall review the list of disposition entities designated for the privatization of GOCCs and designate another disposition entity, such as the APT or the National Development Company (NDC) if it is necessary for the effective and expeditious privatization of certain GOCCs.

Section 5. Sale of Idle Government Properties. - The Committees created pursuant to Administrative Order Nos. 8 and 9, s. 1992, shall submit its recommended action plan for the disposition of idle government properties to the President, through the COP, within three (3) months from issuance hereof.

Section 6. Privatization of Other Activities. - All heads of departments, bureaus, agencies and other government corporations shall identify their assets or activities which may be more efficiently, effectively and economically undertaken by the private sector through such arrangements as sale of physical assets, leasing of assets, management and maintenance contracts or build-operate-transfer (BOT) schemes. Where these are within their competence, they shall implement such privatization directly. Where these require actions of the Office of the President or legislation, they shall submit their recommendations to the COP not later than three (3) months from issuance hereof. Where further assistance is needed, they may consult the COP and avail of grants for technical assistance for privatization, administered by the Department of Finance.

Section 7. Distribution of Net Proceeds - Except for subsidiaries of the Government Service Insurance System and the Social Security System, all GOCCs shall remit to the National Government at least fifty per cent (50%) of the net proceeds derived from the sale of shares or assets effective October 1, 1992. Net proceeds shall mean gross proceeds less related liabilities and selling expenses.

Section 8. - Implementing Rules. - The COP shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Order within thirty (30) days from issuance hereof.

Section 9. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE
Executive Secretary

References: Annexes "A" and "B"

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 38
RECONSTITUTING THE ASEAN FREE TRADE AREA (AFTA) COMMISSION
AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 510 (1992) created the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) Multisectoral Study Commission to conduct studies that would identify the impact of AFTA on sectors of the Philippine economy and to propose a work program, in consultation with the private sector, on enhancing Philippine competitiveness in the ASEAN market;

WHEREAS, the AFTA Multisectoral Study Commission was dissolved after it submitted its report to former President Corazon C. Aquino and since then there has been a need for an Advisory Commission to pursue the evaluation of the impact of AFTA during the next fifteen (15) years;

WHEREAS, the Commission shall ensure that its studies and recommendations incorporate the principles of a just, equitable and sustainable development, through investments in the human capital of the poor that are consistent with long-term growth and shared prosperity, and define the roles of each sector in the attainment of these goals that would balance market competition with human development.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Organization of AFTA Advisory Commission. The AFTA Advisory Commission (hereinafter known as “Commission”) is hereby organized under the Office of the President to be composed of fifteen (15) representatives from the private sector and fifteen (15) representatives from the public sector.

SECTION 2. Composition of the Commission. The Commission shall be chaired by Hon. Rizalino S. Navarro, Secretary of Trade and Industry and Co-Chaired by Mr. Jose Pardo, President of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The Commission shall be composed of the following members:

A. PRIVATE SECTOR

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|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Jose Pardo | - | Co-Chairman |
| 2. Jesus Estanislao | - | President |
| 3. Eugenio Lopez, Jr. | - | Past Chairman |
| 4. Yao Eng Hue | - | FFCCCI |
| 5. Octavio Espiritu | - | Banking and Finance |
| 6. Ernesto Martelino | - | Agri-Business |
| 7. Dante Santos | - | Industry |
| 8. Leonardo Siguion-Reyna | - | Transportation and Communications |
| 9. Corazon de la Paz | - | Services |
| 10. Raul T. Concepcion | - | Energy |
| 11. Paterno Menzon | - | Labor |

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- | | | |
|-----------------------|---|----------------|
| 12. Sylvia Santos | - | Small Business |
| 13. Paterno Dizon | - | Exporters |
| 14. Victor Chiongbian | - | Visayas |
| 15. Vicente Paterno | - | Mindanao |

B. EXECUTIVE BRANCH

- | | | |
|------------------------------|---|--------------|
| 1. Sec. Rizalino S. Navarro | - | DTI-Chairman |
| 2. Sec. Ramon R. del Rosario | - | DOF |
| 3. Sec. Roberto R. Romulo | - | DFA |
| 4. Sec. Roberto S. Sebastian | - | DA |
| 5. Sec. Nieves R. Confesor | - | DOLE |
| 6. Sec. Jesus B. Garcia, Jr. | - | DOTC |
| 7. Sec. Angel C. Alcala | - | DENR |
| 8. Sec. Cielito F. Habito | - | NEDA |
| 9. Sec. Ricardo T. Gloria | - | DOST |
| 10. Sec. Vicente Carlos | - | DOT |
| 11. Chairman Delfin Lazaro | - | ECC |

C. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

1. Two (2) Senators to be designated by the Senate President.
2. Two (2) Members of the House of Representatives to be designated by the House Speaker.

The Commission, by a majority vote of its members, is hereby authorized to replace present members or include other members when circumstances so warrant.

SECTION 3. **Functions of the Commission.** The Commission shall be an advisory body to the President and shall have the following functions:

1. Prepare studies identifying the issue and implications of AFTA and ASEAN economic cooperation on the Philippine economy and its industrial, agricultural, financial and service sectors, including labor and peasantry and propose a concomitant work program, including legislation where needed, private sector initiatives and technological innovations to enhance our competitive advantages in the regional market.
 2. Recommend directions, policies and guidelines for the government and its continuing discussions and negotiations with the ASEAN governments and the dialogue partners in all areas of economic cooperation;
 3. Enhance collaboration and build consensus among the various sectors such as business and industry, agricultural and service sectors, science and technology centers, labor and non-government organization; and
 4. Create such sub-committees and task forces as may be necessary to accomplish these functions.
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SECTION 4. **Technical/Sectoral Support.** Government and private organizations such as academic institutions, research organizations, professional firms, and other similar groups shall be tapped to provide technical and Secretariat support to the Commission.

SECTION 5. **Relationship with PCAC.** The Commission shall report and submit studies, proposals and recommendations to the Philippine Council on ASEAN Cooperation-Cabinet level (PCAC-Cabinet). It shall also be represented at the PCAC-Cabinet and at the PCAC-Technical Board for ASEAN Economic Cooperation.

SECTION 6. **Funding.** The amount of ONE MILLION PESOS (P1,000,000.00) which shall serve as initial government contribution is hereby authorized for expenditure by the Commission from the contingent funds of the President.

SECTION 7. **Effectivity.** This order shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 27th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 39
**CREATING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL AIDS COUNCIL (PNAC) AS A NATIONAL
POLICY AND ADVISORY BODY IN THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF HIV (HUMAN
IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS) INFECTION AND AIDS IN THE PHILIPPINES**

Recognizing the increasing number of Filipinos infected with HIV and succumbing to the AIDS disease, the Government of the Republic of the Philippines continues to pour its resources into preventing and controlling the spread of the deadly virus to all segments of the population;

Further recognizing that the problem is getting bigger, there exists a need for an increased societal response from government agencies, non-governmental organizations, private volunteer groups and other parties;

Recognizing that government agencies and non-government organizations can contribute towards understanding the sensitivities and needs of those affected, and to the formulation of policies and programs concerning AIDS;

Appreciating the appropriate response of other government agencies in formulating and implementing policies and programs to contain the spread of HIV;

Acknowledging that, in view of their contacts with and access to individuals and communities, their commitment and versatility, and their knowledge and experiences non-governmental organizations can make a special impact on individuals and society regarding AIDS and the needs of HIV-infected people and those already suffering from the disease;

Recognizing that a national policy established at the highest level and effective intervention programs are needed to address the multi-dimensional impact of the AIDS epidemic on society;

Recalling that among the objectives of the national program for the prevention and control of AIDS are to prevent the spread of HIV through all modes of infection and to reduce the impact of the disease on individuals, societies and communities;

Recognizing that the epidemic is still in its early stages and there exists an opportunity to prevent infection among the rest of the population;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law,

1. AFFIRM that the roles of government agencies, non-government organizations, private volunteer groups and other parties in the national AIDS strategy are complementary, allowing them to contribute to the nationwide efforts in a manner commensurate with their respective qualities and potentials;

2. INSTRUCT the Department of Health to take the lead in the creation and establishment of a multi-sectoral national committee which will include representatives of the Departments of Education, Culture and Sports, Labor and Employment, Justice, Tourism, Local Government, Budget and Management, Social Welfare and Development and Foreign Affairs, and non-governmental organizations, private volunteer groups, professional associations, advocacy groups and other interested parties and will be called the Philippine National AIDS Council (PNAC) which will advise the President of the Republic of the Philippines regarding policy development for the prevention and control of AIDS, ensure the avoidance of legal provisions which may impede the implementation of the

national AIDS prevention strategy, and work in collaboration with other organizations and agencies to overcome discriminatory attitudes;

The PNAC shall be chaired by the Secretary of Health or his representative and the Secretary of the National Economic and Development Authority will act as Vice-Chair. The Chair shall invite selected interested agencies/organizations/groups to designate representatives who will set as permanent member and/or resource persons of the Council. As appropriate, the Chair shall create sub-committees to study specific policy issues and to make recommendations for program implementation;

3. CALL UPON non-government organizations and private volunteer groups and other interested parties;

- a. to coordinate their activities with governmental bodies working on the prevention and control of AIDS;
- b. to respond appropriately and sensitively to local conditions in order to ensure optimum mobilization and use of resources, devoting special attention to their effective and rational management;
- c. to contribute, as appropriate, to programs relating to AIDS prevention and control, especially in primary health care and other forms of community development.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 3rd day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 40

IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7227 AUTHORIZING THE BASES CONVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (BCDA) TO RAISE FUNDS THROUGH THE SALE OF METRO MANILA MILITARY CAMPS TRANSFERRED TO BCDA TO FORM PART OF ITS CAPITALIZATION AND TO BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES STATED IN SAID ACT

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7227 (“Act”) declares a policy to accelerate the conversion into productive uses of the former US military reservations and extensions, to raise funds through the sale of portions of Metro Manila military camps, and to apply said funds for the development and conversion to productive civilian uses of the lands covered under the 1947 Military Bases Agreement;

WHEREAS, the same Act created the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) which has been granted the power, among others, to source its capital from the proceeds of the sale and/or disposition of certain Metro Manila military camps except those which shall remain as military reservations delineated and proclaimed as such by the President, and to adopt, prepare and implement a comprehensive and detailed plan embodying a list of projects provided in, but not limited to those included in the Legislative-Executive Bases Council (LEBC) framework plan;

WHEREAS, the Act further provides that the President shall authorize the disposition by the BCDA of certain areas in Fort Bonifacio and the Villamor Air Base six (6) months after the approval of the Act provided that no disposition of such lands may be undertaken without a development plan approved by the President;

WHEREAS, the Act also provides that the BCDA may plan and undertake the relocation or resettlement of populations within its areas of responsibility as it may deem necessary;

WHEREAS, a master development plan and a securitization scheme on portions of the Fort Bonifacio and the Villamor Air Base have been completed by the Public Estates Authority (PEA) as authorized by the Office of the President in coordination and consultation with the Special Operations Team for the Bases Conversion Program, the Department of National Defense/Armed Forces of the Philippines (DND/AFP), the LEBC, Philippine National Bank (PNB), Department of Justice, Bureau of Internal Revenue and the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB) to serve as the initial funds generation program of the BCDA to be approved by the President for implementation;

WHEREAS, in view of the urgency to undertake projects for the initial funds generation program, the BCDA may exercise its power to enter into contracts with the appropriate agency or office;

WHEREAS, the implementation of projects for the initial funds generation program will require constant consultation and close coordination between and among the BCDA and concerned governmental agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The portions of the Metro Manila military camps listed in Section 8 of the Act, except those mentioned in paragraphs a, b, c, and d thereof, are hereby transferred to the BCDA.

The JUSMAG compound in Quezon City with an area of 0.14 hectare is also hereby transferred to the BCDA pursuant to Section 7 (b) of the Act.

Other properties may be transferred by the President to the BCDA in accordance with the Act.

The Land Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and other concerned agencies are hereby directed to assist and facilitate the necessary processing and documentation to effect the transfer herein ordered.

Section 2. The properties subject of the foregoing transfer shall be appraised to determine the appropriate valuation to be entered into the books of accounts of the BCDA as part of its capitalization in accordance with Section 6 of the Act.

Section 3. The portions of Metro Manila military camps specified in the disposition timetable hereinbelow shall be utilized for the funds generation program consisting of fast track projects that will provide supplemental capital for the BCDA in addition to such other funds as may be made available for the conversion program pursuant to the Act.

3.1. The following properties shall be disposed of within 15 months from the effectivity of this Order:

	<u>MILITARY CAMP</u>	<u>AREA (in hectares)</u>
1.	Fort Bonifacio	
	Heritage Park	96
	Military Housing	10 (pilot project)
	Mixed Commercial/Industrial Center	140
2.	Villamor	2.7 (unused portion)
3.	Camp Claudio	2 (unused portion)
4.	Camp Bago Bantay	5
5.	Jusmag Compound	0.14

3.2. The following properties shall be disposed of within 3 years from the effectivity of this Order:

	<u>MILITARY CAMP</u>	<u>AREA (in hectares)</u>
1.	Camp Ver	1.95
2.	Camp Melchor	1.0
3.	Camp Atienza	4.9

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Act, additional areas of Fort Bonifacio and Villamor Air Base may be identified for disposition after the implementation of the funds generation projects enumerated under subsection 3.1 hereof.

Section 4. The BCDA is hereby authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the PEA or other government or private corporations which shall serve as Project Manager for purposes of implementing the funds generation projects at the abovestated portions of Fort Bonifacio and Villamor Air Base. The Memorandum of Agreement shall define the responsibilities of the parties and the other terms and conditions of the contractual arrangement.

Section 5. The appropriate government entities which shall include but not be limited to the DND/AFP, DENR, PNB, Securities and Exchange Commission, HLURB and National Housing Authority are hereby directed within the limit of their respective legal mandates, to extend to the BCDA such assistance as may be necessary in the implementation of the funds generation program. Access to development works and related matters shall be coordinated with the DND/AFP.

Section 6. All Executive Orders, Administrative Orders, and other issuances, inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

Section 7. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 41

WHEREAS, the proper and prompt enforcement and effective executions of the laws of the land is the duty and responsibility of the Government;

WHEREAS, closer cooperation and coordination must at all times be observed by all enforcement agencies of the government involved in the enforcement of general and special laws to insure unified direction and integration of effort throughout the country in the suppression of criminal activities on a day-to-day basis, particularly at the operating level;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order and direct the following:

Section 1. All existing law enforcement coordinating bodies known as the Law Enforcement Coordinating Committees created and constituted pursuant to Executive Order No. 829, dated September 11, 1982, at the national, regional and provincial level shall continue to serve as a venue for the coordination of all law enforcement activities of the various government law enforcement agencies.

Section 2. The Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee at the national level is hereby reorganized and shall consist of but not limited to the following:

Director General, PNP, as the Chairman;
Director, National Bureau of Investigation;
Director, Economic Intelligence and Investigation Bureau;
Executive Director, Dangerous Drug Board;
Director, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources;
Commandant, Philippine Coast Guard;
Commissioner, Bureau of Immigration and Deportation;
Chief, Operations Control, National Intelligence Coordinating Agency;
Commissioner, Bureau of Customs;
Commissioner, Bureau of Internal Revenue;
Director, Forest Management Bureau;
General Manager, Philippine Ports Authority;
Commanding General, Aviation Security Command;
Director, Land Transportation Office;
Director, Air Transportation Office;
Commanding General, Civil Relations Service, AFP;
General Manager, Ninoy Aquino International Airport;
General Manager, Mactan-Cebu International Airport Authority;
Administrator, EPZA (Export Processing Zone Authority);
Vice-Chairman, NAPOLCOM; and
Heads of All Other National Government Agencies with Law Enforcement Functions, as its members.

Section 3. The Regional Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee is hereby reorganized and shall consist of the PNP Regional Director, who shall be the Chairman, and the heads/administrators of regional or field offices of government agencies mentioned in Section 2 of this Order, and the Peace and Order Coordinator of the region, as its members.

Section 4. The provincial Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee is hereby reorganized and shall consist of the PNP Provincial Director, who shall be the Chairman, the heads of provincial field offices or stations of government agencies mentioned in Section 2 of this Order, and the Peace and order Coordinator of the province, as its members.

Section 5. The Law Enforcement Coordination Committees at all levels shall each maintain a coordinating center through which it shall coordinate the day-to-day law enforcement activities of the various member agencies. However, the Office of the Secretariat, NALECC, shall be the National Coordinating Center which shall collate and monitor the activities of the Regional and Provincial Coordinating Committees.

Section 6. Each Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee at all level shall meet at least once a month to discuss, monitor and assess the law enforcement programs of the government.

Section 7. The Chairman, Peace and Order Council, shall issue appropriate rules and regulations in the implementation of this Executive Order.

Section 8. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked, or modified accordingly.

Section 9. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 9th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO 42
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19, DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 1992, CONSTITUTING
THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION AND PRESCRIBING ITS AUTHORITY
AND FUNCTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the National Unification Commission was constituted to undertake a comprehensive and participatory peace process which will involve all concerned sectors of society to generate the collective political will to attain peace with justice;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Commission was granted a period of ninety (90) days from its formal organization to formulate and recommend to the President a viable amnesty program and peace process that will lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the country;

WHEREAS, the nationwide public consultations need to be as thorough and broad-based as possible so that all substantive issues and concerns relevant to the peace process can be raised and integrated to the national peace program being formulated by the National Unification Commission;

WHEREAS, there is a need to extend the term of existence of the National Unification Commission to enable it to complete its scheduled program of consultations throughout the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Paragraph (a) of Section 2 of Executive Order No. 19, Series of 1992, is hereby amended to read, as follows:

“a. Formulate and recommend, after consulting with the concerned sectors of society, to the President NOT LATER THAN MARCH 16, 1993, a viable general amnesty program and peace process that will lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the country;”

SECTION 2. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Done in the City of Manila, this 11th day of December, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 43

MODIFYING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE 1991 AND 1992 PHILIPPINE PROGRAMMES SUBMITTED DURING THE THIRD ASEAN SUMMIT PROVIDING A MINIMUM LEVEL OF 25% MARGIN OF PREFERENCE TO CERTAIN ITEMS WHICH ARE IN THE PHILIPPINE EXCLUSION LIST AND DEEPENING THE MARGINS OF PREFERENCE IN RESPECT OF CERTAIN ITEMS WHICH ARE UNDER THE ASEAN PREFERENTIAL TRADING ARRANGEMENTS

Pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in Annex "A" hereof as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be accorded a 25% Margin of Preference (MOP) as items being introduced into the ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements (PTA). In effect, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential Tariff for ASEAN in accordance with the schedule indicated in Columns 11-17 of said Annex "A".

SEC. 2. Items listed in Annex "B" hereof as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be accorded additional MOPs as specified in Columns 11 and 12 of said Annex "B". In effect, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential Tariff for ASEAN in accordance with the schedule indicated in Columns 13-19 of said Annex "B". These concessions were agreed upon during the Third ASEAN Summit and the Thirtieth Meeting of the Committee on Trade and Tourism (COTT).

SEC. 3. In the event that any subsequent changes are made in the basic Philippine rate of duty on any of the abovementioned articles, such articles shall automatically be accorded the corresponding MOPs.

SEC. 4. After the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, all the aforementioned articles entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption under the Rules of Origin as specified in the Agreement on ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements ratified on August 1, 1977.

SEC. 5. This Executive Order shall take effect on 1 January 1993.

Done in the City of Manila, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety two.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1992). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
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MALACAÑANG RECORDS OFFICE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 44

Based on the records available on file and in the possession of Malacañang Records Office, Executive Order No. 44 of Presidential Issuances of Fidel V. Ramos was certified by their office as a reserved number and that no original copy of this issuance was forwarded and released to them.

Malacañang Records Office. (2016). *[Memorandum: certification and official count of Presidential Issuances]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 45
ADOPTING THE PHILIPPINE REFERENCE SYSTEM OF 1992 AS THE STANDARD
REFERENCE SYSTEM FOR SURVEYS IN THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA), is mandated under Executive Order 192 to establish a nationwide geodetic control network of control points that serves as a common reference system of all surveys in the country;

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Management and Development Project of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in cooperation with the Coast and Geodetic Survey Department of NAMRIA has completed the establishment of the first order geodetic control network in the Philippines through the use of global positioning system (GPS);

WHEREAS, the new network has upgraded the old one and now capable of supporting the integrated surveying and mapping programs of the government for sustainable management and development of the environment and natural resources, and for infrastructure activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The new geodetic control network, known as the Philippine Reference System of 1992 (PRS 92) is hereby adopted as the standard reference for all surveying and mapping activities of the country.

SECTION 2. All new surveys and maps shall henceforth be referred to the new network. All old surveys shall be integrated into the new network including the adjustment of the coordinates of their corresponding maps. There shall be a transition period up to year 2000 to allow integration of the old surveys, after which only PRS 92 shall be recognized as the standard reference system for all surveys and maps in the country.

SECTION 3. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall promulgate the guidelines to implement the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 4. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Approved in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 5th day of January, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 46
CONSTITUTING THE BIPARTISAN EXECUTIVE-LEGISLATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE SABAH ISSUE

WHEREAS, the Senate approved on 28 October 1992 Resolution No. 13 which provides that:

“Resolved by the Senate, to urge the President to form a Bipartisan Legislative-Executive Advisory Committee, in consultation with the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives as regards the membership of legislators who shall sit in the Committee, to study alternative modes of pursuing the Sabah claim in the appropriate international and regional fora.

Resolved, finally, to recommend that the Department of Foreign Affairs reestablish the Sabah Office in the Department to serve as one unit in the Government to regularly monitor development on the Sabah issue and to provide assistance to the heirs of the Sultanate of Sulu.”

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives, likewise, approved on 26 November 1992 Resolution No. 19 which provides that:

“Resolved by the House of Representatives, to urge President Fidel V. Ramos to organize a bipartisan legislative-executive advisory council in consultation with the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the membership of legislators who will sit in the council to draft the final Philippine position on the Sabah claim including the various modes of pursuing the claim, the venue, and the schedule for implementation.”

WHEREAS, due to the sensitivity and complexity of the Sabah issue and in line with its existing policy of consultation, the Executive Branch shares the same view of a bipartisan approach in resolving the Sabah issue;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. *The Council.* There is hereby constituted the Bipartisan Executive-Legislative Advisory Council on the Sabah Issue, hereinafter referred to as the Council, composed of the following: eight (8) representatives from the Executive Branch to be designated by the President, eight (8) members of the Senate which shall include a member of the minority party, to be designated by the Senate President, eight (8) members of the House of Representatives which shall include a member of the minority party, to be designated by the Speaker of the House.

The President shall designate the Chairman of the Council

Section 2. *Functions.* The Council shall serve as an advisory body to the President with respect to the Philippine claim on Sabah. It shall have the following functions:

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- a. Formulate and recommend alternative modes of pursuing the Sabah claim in the appropriate international and regional fora;
 - b. Advise the President on the manner in which the Philippine claim on Sabah may be successfully pursued taking into consideration the requirements of regional harmony and cooperation;
 - c. Advise the President on the attendant complications and ramifications regarding the Sabah issue.

Section 3. *Meetings of the Council.* The President shall call the initial meeting of the Council. Thereafter, the Council shall meet as often as agreed upon by the body or as may be convened by the President.

Section 4. *Secretariat.* The Council shall organize its Secretariat to be headed by an Executive Director who shall be the current Head of the Sabah Office of the Department of Foreign Affairs. The members of the Secretariat which shall be composed of persons designated by the Chairman and those detailed to the Council shall provide administrative staff support to the Committee.

Section 5. *Office.* The Council shall hold office in the Department of Foreign Affairs which shall provide the Council with appropriate office space and facilities.

Section 6. *Funding.* The Council shall be funded with an initial allocation of Five Million Pesos (P5,000,000.00), without prejudice to the Council submitting a supplemental budget, all to be drawn from the President's Contingent Fund. Appropriations for succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposals under the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Section 7. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 11th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). [*Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125*]. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 47
CREATING THE ZAMBOANGA CITY COUNCIL OF ELDERS

WHEREAS, there is a need to form a group composed of Muslim and Christian leaders to look into the peace and order problem in Zamboanga City;

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide the people of Zamboanga City a more united religious leadership for a peaceful community and for attainment of economic prosperity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Zamboanga City Council of Elders (“Council”) is hereby organized with the following membership:

- a. Archbishop Francisco Cruces, DD
- b. Ustads Abdulgani Yusop
- c. Hadji Abdurahman Nuno
- d. Mrs. Josephine Bautista
- e. Atty. Arsenio Gonzales, Jr.
- f. Hadji Sali Wali

The Council shall be attached to the Office of Presidential Assistant for Mindanao

Section 2. The Council shall be headed by a Chairman and Co-Chairman elected by the members of the Council from among themselves. The members of the Council shall serve without compensation.

Section 3. The Council shall be an advisory body shall have the following functions:

- a. To give advise and recommendations to the Zamboanga City Peace and Order Council, the National Unification Commission, and the Office of the Presidential Assistant for Mindanao, on matters pertaining to the peace and order situation in Zamboanga City.
- b. To act as peace advocates and unifying force between the Muslim and Christian inhabitants of Zamboanga City, as well as assist in the mutual appreciation of faiths and religious doctrines by the Muslims and Christians.
- c. To exercise such other functions incidental to the above.

Section 4. The Office of the Presidential Assistant for Mindanao shall provide the Council with technical and administrative support.

Section 5. The Council shall be provided with a budget to be approved by the President upon the recommendation of the Presidential Management Staff and the Presidential Assistant for Mindanao.

Section 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 48
REQUIRING THE COLLECTION OF QUALIFYING FEES
FOR PLAYERS ENTERING THE CASINO

WHEREAS, the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR) operates casinos throughout the Philippines which are patronized by both local and foreign gamblers of players;

WHEREAS, to raise additional revenue for the government, PAGCOR may collect a qualifying fee from players entering the casino;

WHEREAS, the qualifying fee is similar to those being collected in other countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. The Department of Finance, the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR) and the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) shall implement the system for collection of the qualifying fees;

SEC. 2. The amount of the qualifying fee shall be determined by the Department of Finance, which shall not be less than One Hundred Pesos (P100.00) per player;

SEC. 3. The PAGCOR shall be responsible for the collection of the qualifying fee in the form of coupons to be issued to the players entering the casino;

SEC. 4. The BIR shall be responsible for the printing and distribution of the coupons to PAGCOR and monitoring of collection of these fees;

SEC. 5. The qualifying fee collections shall be remitted to the National Treasury and shall form part of the general fund;

SEC. 6. The Secretary of Finance, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, shall promulgate the guidelines to implement this Executive Order;

SEC. 7 This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, this 19th day of January, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 49
DIRECTING THE MANDATORY USE OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL
DRUG FORMULARY (PNDF) VOLUME I AS THE BASIS FOR PROCUREMENT
OF DRUG PRODUCTS BY THE GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines provides as State Policies that:

- a. “The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them” (Section 15, Article II, 1987 Constitution).
- b. “The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost” (Section 11, Article XIII, 1987 Constitution).
- c. “The State shall establish and maintain an effective food and drug regulatory system and undertake appropriate health manpower development and research, responsive to the country’s health needs and problems” (Section 12, Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution).

WHEREAS, paragraphs 3 and 4, Section 2, of the Generics Act of 1988 declare as the policy of the State, among others, that:

- aa. “To encourage the extensive use of drugs with generic names through a rational system of procurement and distribution.”
- bb. “To emphasize the scientific basis for the use of drugs, in order that health professionals may become more aware and cognizant of their therapeutic effectiveness.”

WHEREAS, Section 4 of the Generics Act of 1988 provides that:

- aaa. “In the promotion of the generic names for pharmaceutical products, special consideration shall be given to drugs and medicines which are included in the essential drug list to be prepared within one hundred eighty (180) days from approval of this Act and updated quarterly by the Department of Health on the basis of health conditions obtaining in the Philippines as well as on internationally-accepted criteria.
- bbb. “The exclusive use of generic terminology in the manufacture, marketing and sales of drug and medicines, particularly those in the essential drug list, shall be promoted through such system of incentives as the Board of Investments jointly with the Department of Health and other government agencies as may be authorized by law, shall promulgate in accordance with existing laws, within 180 days after approval of this Act.”

WHEREAS, in order to promote rational use of drugs and medicines in government and as a logical extension of the successful implementation of DOH-D.O. 104, s. 1991, which makes mandatory

the use of the Philippine National Drug Formulary (PNDF) (Volume I) or Essential Drugs List as the basis for the procurement of drug products by the Department of Health, ALL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES CONCERNED ARE MANDATED TO USE THE CURRENT PNDF (VOL. I) AS THE BASIS FOR PROCUREMENT OF DRUG PRODUCTS;

WHEREAS, the PNDF (Volume I) is the Essential Drugs List for the Philippines prepared by the National Drug Committee (NDC) in consultation with experts and specialists from organized professional medical societies, medical academe, and pharmaceutical industry, and which is updated every year, consisting of two parts, namely: the Core List and the Complementary List, wherein the Core List drugs are the essential drugs which are needed by the majority of the population and should therefore be available at all times in appropriate dosage forms and in sufficient quantities, while the Complementary List drugs are those drugs needed for treating rare disorders, drugs with special pharmaceutical properties, and alternative drugs to be used when there is no response to the Core List drugs or when the Core List drugs cannot be administered for one reason or another;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

The following procedures shall be followed to implement this Order:

1. The Therapeutic Committee/Physician-in-Charge of the Clinic or Infirmary/Procurement Officer, whichever is applicable, shall be responsible for determining which products and the corresponding quantity to be procured by the respective government entities.
2. Every requisition and issue voucher (RIV) or any request to purchase drug, including those falling under Emergency Purchase authorized under the General Appropriation Act shall be accompanied by a certification signed by the requisitioning officer that the drug products being requisitioned or procured fall within and conform with PNDF Volume I, current edition.
3. The Commission on Audit shall instruct all unit auditors/heads of auditing unit to monitor compliance with this order and to disallow in audit, claims/disbursements, either from regular budget, local and/or trust funds, covering the procurement by any mode, of drugs and medicines which are not within the PNDF Volume I, current edition.
4. For drugs not listed in the PNDF Vol. I, a written request with corresponding justification addressed to the Head of the National Drug Policy Office who may approve or disapprove the request. In determining whether the drug(S) requisitioned is justified or not, the said Head may refer such request to the National Drug Committee (NDC), as needed.

Any violation of this Order shall be construed as a conduct grossly prejudicial to the best interest of the service or grave misconduct, as the case may be, per P.D. 807 and CSC-M No. 30, s. 1989.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 21st day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 50
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 503, DATED JANUARY 22, 1992,
TO GRANT AUTHORITY TO NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES CONCERNED
AFFECTED BY THE DEVOLUTION, TO REORGANIZE AND
RESTRUCTURE AS A RESULT OF THE DEVOLUTION PROCESS

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 503, dated January 22, 1992, provides for the rules and regulations implementing the transfer of personnel, assets and liabilities, and records of national government agencies, whose functions are to be devoted to the local government units and for related purposes;

WHEREAS, this devolution entails drastic changes in the organizational structure and functions of the affected national government agencies (NGAs);

WHEREAS, there is a need to institute the necessary changes in the affected agencies to ensure continuity of operations, as well as effective and efficient performance of functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, and upon the recommendation of the Oversight Committee of the Local Government Code, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Executive Order No. 503, dated January 22, 1992, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 5. Reorganization and Restructuring of NGAs. All NGAs, whose functions are devolved, are directed to prepare and promulgate the necessary legal issuances to implement the pertinent provisions of the Local Government Code, including but not limited to their new organizational structure and staffing patterns, taking into consideration their service requirements and the changes in their functions, projects, and activities, subject to the minimum standards and guidelines prescribed by the Civil Service Commission.”

SECTION 2. This Executive Order shall take effect upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 21st day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 51

DIRECTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO REVISE THEIR 1993 ANNUAL BUDGETS TO ADDRESS THE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS OF DEVOLVED NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY FUNCTIONS, ENJOINING THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES CONCERNED TO ADVANCE SUCH FUNDING REQUIREMENT FOR THEIR DEVOLVED FUNCTIONS AGAINST REGULAR 1993 ALLOTMENTS PENDING ENACTMENT OF THE REVISED 1993 ANNUAL BUDGETS AND INSTRUCTING THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT TO PROMULGATE AND ISSUE THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES TO BE OBSERVED FOR THE PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Section 284 of the Local Government Code of 1991, as well as the General Appropriations Act (GAA) for FY 1993, mandate that the internal revenue allotment (IRA) share of local government units (LGUs) for 1993 shall be ₱36.72 billion;

WHEREAS, Section 17(g) of the Code requires LGUs to allocate available resources or funds for the provision of the devolved national government functions before applying the same to any other purpose;

WHEREAS, notwithstanding such requirement, the majority of LGUs appear to have not included or have only partially included the cost of the devolved national government functions in their respective 1993 annual budgets;

WHEREAS, unless appropriated for by the Sanggunian concerned, no money may be paid out of the local treasury for the cost of devolved national government functions not included in the 1993 local annual budgets;

WHEREAS, the budgetary requirements for the devolved national government functions were not provided for in the 1993 appropriations passed upon by Congress for the national government agencies concerned under the GAA for FY 1993;

WHEREAS, Congress under the same GAA FY 1993 authorized the Department of Budget and Management to withhold the release from the IRA shares of LGUs such sums as may correspond with the cost of national government functions the devolution of which shall have been deferred or excluded through subsequent legislation;

WHEREAS, urgent ad hoc measures have to be undertaken to obviate disruption in the provision of basic and essential services and facilities to the people pending inclusion of the cost of devolved national government functions in the 1993 annual budgets of each LGUs:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Oversight Committee constituted under Section 533 of the Code, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Local government units of all levels shall revise their respective enacted, or deemed reenacted, annual budgets for 1993, within the period ending not later than 31 March 1993, to reflect the following:

- a The allocation by province, city, municipality, and barangay of the ₱36.72 billion internal revenue allotment appropriated by Congress for said fiscal year; and
- b. The budgetary requirement for functions devolved by such national government agencies as the Department of Budget and Management, Department of Social Welfare and Development, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, and the Department of Health.

SEC. 2. The concerned national government shall advance out of their regular 1993 allotments the personal services and basic maintenance and other operating expenses for the 1 January - 31 March 1993 cost of their respective devolved functions pending completion of the revised 1993 local annual budgets, subject to subsequent reimbursement for such advances against the IRA shares of local government units.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Budget and Management shall be responsible for the programming of releases against the 1993 national budget and for the promulgation and issuance of such rules, regulations, and guidelines as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this Order.

SEC. 4. This Order shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 52
REQUIRING THE INDICATION OF TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN)
ON CERTAIN DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the TIN is a vital information for tracing a person's taxable transactions under a computerized system of tax administration;

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) is now initiating a fully integrated computerization of the tax administration system;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to develop the BIR's computerized data base to contain the necessary and relevant information pertinent to every taxpayer for storage and ready accessibility for correct determination of every taxpayer's tax liability;

NOW, THEREFORE, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. The BIR shall require that the TIN be indicated in the following documents:

- a. Sugar quedans, refined sugar release order or similar instruments to reflect the TIN of the owner or seller of the sugar.
- b. Domestic bills of lading to reflect the TINs of the shippers and consignees of commercial value shipment.
- c. Documents to be registered with the Registry of Deeds to reflect the TINs of persons who are parties to the real property transactions.
- d. Registration certificates to reflect the TINs of owners of transportation equipment by land, sea or air.
- e. Building construction permits to reflect the TINs of owners and contractors of buildings and civil works.
- f. Other documents which may hereafter be required under revenue regulations to be promulgated by the Secretary of Finance.

SECTION 2. Any person who fails to comply with the requirements of this Executive Order, including the parties involved in these transactions and the government functionary involved in monitoring or regulating these transactions, shall be subject to all the appropriate sanctions provided for in the National Internal Revenue Code and other pertinent, laws and regulations.

SECTION 3. The Department of Finance shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the appropriate agency or instrumentality of the National Government and local government units for the purpose of formulating procedures designed to ensure full compliance by those concerned with the requirements of this Executive Order.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management shall give preferential budgetary support to the tax administration function of the BIR and all appropriate programs designed to improve the effectiveness of tax collection.

SECTION 5. The Secretary of Finance, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall promulgate the revenue regulations for the implementation of this Executive Order. The regulations shall provide for a phase implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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MALACAÑANG
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 53
DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES CONCERNED
TO PROVIDE THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE WITH THE
NECESSARY INFORMATION TO HELP INCREASE TAX COLLECTIONS

WHEREAS, various information are required to be submitted to different agencies and instrumentalities;

WHEREAS, relevant and pertinent information submitted to the said government agencies and instrumentalities can be effectively utilized by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) in tax law enforcement to maximize compliance;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. The following agencies shall provide the following data to the Bureau of Internal Revenue on a regular basis, as provided for in the implementing revenue regulations:

1 DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY:

Production and sales of manufacturing companies per industry.

2. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS:

2.1. Gross receipts of land, sea and air transport firms per company; and

2.2. Revenues of telecommunications/telephone/telegraph/radio firms per company.

3. CENTRAL BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES:

Amounts of interest income and other income (e.g. royalties, profits from foreign exchange transactions, rental of property) of banks and their branches per company.

4. ALL DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS:

Contracts entered into with private contractors.

5. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION:

Names and addresses of all active registered corporations and partnership, with their financial statements.

SECTION 2. Local governments units, government-owned and controlled corporations, and other agencies and instrumentalities of the government shall, without hesitation, immediately comply with a request of the BIR for information relevant to its mission of effectively implementing the revenue laws.

SECTION 3. The Bureau of Internal Revenue shall utilize the data provided to them in evaluating tax compliance and to improve internal revenue tax collection efficiency. The Commissioner shall submit a quarterly report to the Secretary of Finance, President and Congress on the results of this measures.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of the Budget and Management shall give preferential budgetary support to the tax administration function of the BIR and all appropriate programs designed to improve the effectiveness of tax collection.

SECTION 5. The Department of Finance shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the appropriate agency or instrumentality of the National Government and local government units for the purpose of formulating procedures designed to ensure full compliance by those concerned with the requirements of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. The Department of Finance, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, shall promulgate the necessary revenue regulations to implement this Executive Order. The regulations shall provide for a phased implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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MALACAÑANG
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 54
DIRECTING THE YEARLY PUBLICATION OF LISTS OF PERSONS WHO FILED
INCOME TAX RETURNS AND PAID INCOME TAXES

WHEREAS, Section 64 of the National Internal Revenue Code (NIRC) provides that “the Commissioner of Internal Revenue may in each year cause to be prepared and published in any newspaper and otherwise make available a list containing the names and addresses of persons who have filed income tax returns with the amount of income declared and the income tax paid by each”;

WHEREAS, the same provision of the said Code also provides that the “list of taxpayers for the preceding taxable year in each municipality or city shall be posted in the main entrance of the respective municipal building or city hall;

WHEREAS, such publication of persons who complied with the tax law will enhance voluntary compliance;

NOW, THEREFORE, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. The BIR shall require the publication of an annual list of the top 4,000 corporations, indicating their gross sales or receipts and total taxes paid in at least two newspapers of general circulation.

SECTION 2. The BIR shall furnish annually to local government units information indicating the gross sales, business and income taxes paid by each person, corporate or otherwise, who is required to file an income tax return within the jurisdiction of the local government unit. The said information shall also be posted by the local government units in appropriate public places generally accessible to the public.

SECTION 3. The BIR shall publish annually a list of the following government officials who have filed income tax returns, indicating in said list the amount of income declared and the income tax paid by each official:

- a. Executive Department - The President of the Philippines, Department Secretaries, Undersecretaries and Assistant Secretaries;
- b. Legislative Department - Senators and Congressmen; and
- c. All other appointive and elective government officials who may later be deemed appropriate by the BIR to be included in such published list.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management shall give preferential budgetary support to the tax administration function of the BIR and all appropriate programs designed to improve the effectiveness of tax collection.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of Finance, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue, shall promulgate the necessary regulations to implement this Executive Order. The regulations shall provide for the phased implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 55
RECONSTITUTING AND FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE
MONITORING AND COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Government Corporate Monitoring Committee established under Executive Order No. 936 (1984), reconstituted as the Government Corporate Monitoring and Coordinating Committee (GCMCC) under Memorandum Order No. 10 (1986), and further strengthened under Executive Order No. 236 (1987), was created to act as the monitoring and coordinating body for all government-owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs) attached to the different departments of the Executive Branch which have been accounting for significantly large claims on government budgetary resources;

WHEREAS, as the GOCCs being monitored by the GCMCC have grown in number, it is desirable to further rationalize the allocation of investment resources of the government sector in order to improve upon financial and social investment returns and productivity;

WHEREAS, there is need to strengthen the mechanism for reviewing, monitoring and evaluating the overall performance of individual corporations as well as the government corporate sector as a whole;

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 2327, as amended, as well as under Executive Order No. 292 (Administrative Code of 1987), the Office of the Government Corporate Counsel (OGCC) is the principal law office of all GOCCs, their subsidiaries, other corporate offsprings and government acquired asset corporations and as such, the OGCC is mandated to exercise control and supervision over all legal departments or divisions maintained separately by said corporations;

WHEREAS, for a more effective monitoring and coordination of all GOCCs, there is a need to reconstitute/reorganize the GCMCC to include not only the Government Corporate Counsel as member but also heads of other government offices.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare that:

Section 1. The last paragraph of Section 1 of Executive Order No. 236 (1987), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Government Corporate Monitoring and Coordinating Committee. -

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“The Committee shall be composed of the following as members:

- a. Executive Secretary;
- b. Secretary of Finance;
- c. Secretary of Budget and Management;
- d. Secretary of Trade and Industry;

- e. Director-General of NEDA;
- f. Governor of the Central Bank;
- g. Chief Presidential Legal Counsel;
- h. Head, Presidential Management Staff; and
- i. Government Corporate Counsel.

The members may designate alternates to represent them in the meetings of the Committee.
The President shall designate the Chairman of the Committee.

Section 2. The Presidential Management Staff shall provide secretariat and staff support services to the Committee, to ensure the proper and efficient implementation of this Order.

Section 3. Any portion or provision of this Executive Order that may be declared unconstitutional shall not have the effect of nullifying the other provisions hereof; Provided, that such remaining portions can still stand and be given effect in their entirety to accomplish the objectives of this Executive Order.

Section 4. The other provisions of Executive Order No. 236 (1987), and Memorandum Order Nos. 263, 314, 320 and 419 which are not inconsistent herewith shall continue to remain in full force and effect. All letters of instructions, executive orders and other administrative issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 56
DECLARING THAT ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISION OVER THE PROFESSIONAL
REGULATION COMMISSION PERTAINS TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, the functions of the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) are executive in character and should properly pertain to the Executive Branch of Government which is under the control of the President;

WHEREAS, there is a pressing need to clarify where administrative supervision of the PRC should lawfully rest to insure the effective enforcement of all its policies and decisions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, hereby declare that administrative supervision over the Professional Regulation Commission properly pertains to the Office of the President as an attached agency thereof.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 9th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: Presidential Management Staff

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 57
AUTHORIZING OWNERS AND/OR USERS OF UNREGISTERED OR
UNAUTHORIZED WATER/SEWER CONNECTIONS, DEVICES OR INSTRUMENTS TO
COMPLY WITH MWSS RULES AND REGULATIONS, WITHOUT PENALTY,
UNDER THE “MWSS OPERATION LINIS” PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the national policy of this Administration is to institute reconciliatory measures for the purpose of promoting unity, coupled with discipline and the rule of law, among the Filipino people, as instruments to enhance the development and sustained growth of the national economy;

WHEREAS, in consonance with the prevailing thrust of the new Administration, the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) has initiated the “MWSS Operation Linis” program in its effort to provide better and efficient services to its customers, as well as to increase its monthly revenue for the further expansions and improvement of its existing facilities.

WHEREAS, with the fast-tracking of its capital projects, MWSS will be progressively increasing delivery of water supplies to its legitimate customers;

WHEREAS, reports have reached this Office that there is still a very large number of unregistered or unauthorized water/sewer service connections, devices and instruments and that this illicit practice has resulted not only in the loss of revenue to the MWSS, but also in depriving others of a fair share of precious water supply;

WHEREAS, in order to account for and collect all the revenues due the MWSS which can be used for the improvement of its services, to be fair to its paying customers, to discourage the profligate use of water and to effect a more equitable water supply distribution, all for the good of the greatest number, it is imperative to encourage the registration of all unregistered or unauthorized water/sewer connections and/or the removal of unregistered or unauthorized devices and instruments;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Government to afford the owners/users of unregistered or unauthorized water/sewer service connections, devices and instruments the chance to voluntarily come out and register their unauthorized connections, devices and instruments within the ambit of MWSS rules and regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

1. All owners/users of unbilled, unregistered and unauthorized installations of water and/or sewer service connections, or of devices which draw water without passing through MWSS-registered water meters, or of instruments which interfere with the normal and/or accurate functioning of MWSS-installed water meters and/or discharge sewage or wastewater into MWSS sewer mains without having applied and paid for the service, are hereby given a period of one (1) month effective after the date of the first publication of this Executive Order, within which to comply with the following requirements:

- a. the subject owners/users shall voluntarily disclose or report to the MWSS the existence and use of such unbilled, unauthorized or unregistered connections, devices and instruments mentioned herein;

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- b. the subject owners/users shall apply with the MWSS for the registration of the unauthorized and unregistered connections, devices and instruments, and pay the corresponding registration fees therefor;
 - c. the subject owners/users with 25 mm 0 and 32 mm 0 water service connection shall pay the unbilled water consumption for a period not to exceed six (6) months while owners/users whose water service connection are bigger than 32 mm 0 shall pay the unbilled water consumption for a period not to exceed one (1) year regardless of the actual date of the unauthorized installation or connection; and
 - d. the subject owners/users shall comply with the MWSS rules and regulations issued to carry out this Executive Order.

In return, the MWSS shall guarantee in favor of the owners/users availing of this Executive Order the following:

- a. continued use and enjoyment of the above-mentioned facilities;
- b. consumption in excess of six (6) months for 25 mm 0 and 32 mm 0 connections or one (1) year for bigger connections shall no longer be billed and paid; and
- c. confidentiality of information obtained by virtue of the availment of this Executive Order.

It is expressly understood, however, that this Executive Order shall cover only those unrecorded and unreported, unregistered or unauthorized water/sewer service connections, and those recorded and reported but not yet investigated and assessed, prior to the effectivity hereof. This Executive Order shall also cover services installed or connected by MWSS but have remained unbilled from the date of installation or connection up to the present. Any water/sewer service connection or illegal device discovered to have been installed during or after the grace period of one (1) month shall immediately be cut-off or removed by the MWSS and the owners/users thereof shall be charged for violation of Presidential Decree No. 401, as amended by Batas Pambansa Blg. 876 and other applicable penal laws for theft of water in addition to payment of penalties to be prescribed in the MWSS implementing rules and regulations.

2. After the one (1) month period allowing compliance with the above-stated requirements, the MWSS shall undertake a house-to-house verification of all water and sewer services (including excavation of suspected services, if necessary) to discover and ferret out unauthorized or unregistered water or sewer service connections, devices and instruments, which were not voluntarily reported and registered during the one (1)-month period.

For this purpose, the MWSS is hereby authorized to hire contractual census enumerators.

The MWSS may also opt to give rewards to those who report unauthorized or unregistered connections, devices and instruments under the existing MWSS rewards system.

3. After the subject one (1)-month period, upon discovery of any unregistered and unauthorized water and/or sewer service installation or connection, device or instrument, including any sale or retail of MWSS water coming from either unregistered/unauthorized or registered water service installations or connections, devices or instruments, such installations or connections, devices and instruments utilized in violation of MWSS rules and regulations shall immediately be disconnected, removed and abated, and shall not be reopened or reconnected. The existence of any unregistered or unauthorized water and/or sewer service installation or connection, device or instrument in the premises of the owner/user shall be *prima facie* evidence that the same was installed or connected or caused to be

installed or connected by said owner/user. The MWSS shall then charge the owner/user involved with violation of Presidential Decree No. 401, as amended by Batas Pambansa Blg. 876, with theft of MWSS water; and/or any other offense punishable under existing penal laws.

4. The MWSS shall immediately issue and promulgate the rules and regulations implementing this Executive Order.

5. This Executive Order shall be published in at least three (3) leading newspapers of general circulation in Metro Manila, at least twice a week for a period of one (1) month from the issuance hereof.

6. This Executive Order shall take effect after the first date of publication hereof.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 15th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 58
CREATING AN INTER-AGENCY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE
COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATIONAL HOUSING
AUTHORITY PROPERTY IN NORTH TRIANGLE, QUEZON CITY

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 481, dated 24 October 1968, reserved an area of 120 hectares, more or less, of the National Housing Authority property covered by Transfer Certificate Title No. 1356, as the site of the National Government Center;

WHEREAS, Memorandum Order No. 127, dated 11 November 1987, directed that the unsold portions of the 120 hectares reserved area consisting of more or less, 50 hectares, and commonly referred to as the North Triangle Property be released as reserved site under Proclamation No. 481 and be converted into a commercial area;

WHEREAS, under the same Memorandum Order, the National Housing Authority is authorized to sell the property to the private sector thru public bidding as required by law;

WHEREAS, the development of the property requires the coordinated and synchronized efforts of the National Housing Authority and other government agencies to ensure effective and efficient planning and implementation including the incorporation into the Development Project of the route and terminal requirements of the Light Rail Transit Line Three (LRT-III) Project;

WHEREAS, this Development Project envisions to generate funds and ensure yearly revenues needed to support the Social Housing Program of the National Housing Authority;

WHEREAS, the Government encourages private sector participation in the development of the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct:

Section 1. An Inter-Agency Executive Committee (“Executive Committee”) is hereby created to oversee the development of the North Triangle Property chaired by the Chairman of the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council with the heads of the following offices as members: The National Housing Authority, The Metropolitan Manila Authority, The Department of Public Works and Highways, The National Economic Development Authority, The Department of Trade and Industry, The Department of Finance, The Department of Transportation and Communication, The Department of Environment and Natural Resources, City Government of Quezon City, Presidential Management Staff and the Development Bank of the Philippines.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall recommend, for the President’s approval, the award for the development of the property under a joint venture agreement with the private sector through long-term lease or sale.

Section 3. An Inter-Agency Technical Committee chaired by the General Manager of the National Housing Authority and composed of technical representatives of the Executive Committee shall formulate the terms of reference for the public bidding and evaluation of joint venture proposals.

Section 4. The National Housing Authority is hereby directed to act as Project Administrator and to implement the project.

Section 5. All revenues accruing in the development of the property shall be utilized for the Social Housing Program of the National Housing Authority.

Section 6. The Executive Committee shall issue the necessary implementing orders to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order.

Section 7. All previous issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order shall be deemed revoked or amended accordingly.

Section 8. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 15th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 59

**PRESCRIBING THE POLICY GUIDELINES FOR COMPULSORY INTERCONNECTION
OF AUTHORIZED PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS IN ORDER TO
CREATE A UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE AND FULLY INTEGRATED NATIONWIDE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND THEREBY ENCOURAGE GREATER
PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

WHEREAS, in recognition of the vital role of communications in nation-building, it has become the objective of government to promote advancement in the field of telecommunications and the expansion of telecommunications services and facilities in all areas of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, there is a need to enhance effective competition in the telecommunications industry in order to promote the State policy of providing the environment for the emergence of communications structures suitable to the balanced flow of information into, out of, and across the country;

WHEREAS, there is a need to maximize the use of telecommunications facilities available and to encourage investment in telecommunications infrastructure by service providers duly authorized by the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC);

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that all users of the public telecommunications service have access to all other users of the service wherever they may be within the Philippines at an acceptable standard of service and at reasonable cost;

WHEREAS, the much needed advancement in the field of telecommunications and expansion of telecommunications services and facilities will be promoted by the effective interconnection of public telecommunications carriers or service operators;

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the Philippines, in the case of Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. v. The National Telecommunications Commission [G.R. No. 88404, 18 October 1990, 190 SCRA 717, 734], categorically declared that “*Rep. Act No. 6849, or the Municipal Telephone Act of 1989, approved on 8 February 1990, mandates interconnection providing as it does that ‘all domestic telecommunications carriers or utilities . . . shall be interconnected to the public switch telephone network.’*”;

WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 546 dated 23 July 1979, as amended, the NTC has the power, as the public interest may require, “*to encourage a larger and more effective use of communications facilities, and to maintain effective competition among private entities whenever the NTC finds it reasonably feasible*”; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to prescribe the consolidated policy guidelines to implement Rep. Act No. 6849 and Executive Order No. 546, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The NTC shall expedite the interconnection of all NTC authorized public telecommunications carriers into a universally accessible and fully integrated nationwide telecommunications network for the benefit of the public.

Section 2. Interconnection between NTC authorized public telecommunications carriers shall be compulsory. Interconnection shall mean the linkage, by wire, radio, satellite or other means, of two or more existing telecommunications carriers or operators with one another for the purpose of allowing or enabling the subscribers of one carrier or operator to access or reach the subscribers of the other carriers or operators.

Section 3. Interconnection shall be established and maintained at such point or points of connections, preferably at the local exchanges level and at the junction side of trunk exchanges as are required within a reasonable time frame and shall be for sufficient capacity and in sufficient number to enable messages conveyed or to be conveyed to conveniently meet all reasonable traffic demands for conveyance of messages between the system of the parties involved in the interconnection.

Section 4. Interconnection shall permit the customer of either party freedom of choice on whose system the customer wishes his call to be routed regardless which system provides the exchange line connecting to the local exchange. Such a choice may be done initially through the use of distinct carrier access code assigned to the relevant connectable system and ultimately, as the local exchange providers upgrade to stored-program-controlled (SPC) exchanges, comparatively efficient interconnect (CEI) or equal access pre-programmed option.

Section 5. Interconnection shall be mandatory with regard to connecting other telecommunications services such as but not limited to value-added services of radio paging, trunking radio, store and forward systems of facsimile or messaging (voice or data), packet switching and circuit data switching (including the conveyance of messages which have been or are to be transmitted or received at such points of connection), information and other services as the NTC may determine to be in the interest of the public and in the attainment of the objective of a universally accessible, fully integrated nationwide telecommunications network.

Section 6. Interconnection shall be negotiated and effected through bilateral negotiations between the parties involved subject to certain technical/operational and traffic settlement rules to be promulgated by the NTC; Provided, that if the parties fail to reach an agreement within ninety (90) days from date of notice to the NTC and the other party of the request to negotiate, the NTC shall, on application of any of the parties involved, determine the terms and conditions that the parties have not agreed upon but which appear to the NTC to be reasonably necessary to effect a workable and equitable interconnection and traffic settlement.

Section 7. Interconnection among public communications carriers shall be effected in such a manner that permits re-routing of calls from an international gateway operator which is rendered inoperative, whether in whole or in part, in the event of strikes, lock-outs, disasters, calamities and similar causes, to another international gateway operator not so effected. A public telecommunications carrier shall be allowed such permits to operate an international gateway as may be necessary to service its own network requirements; Provided, that its subsidiaries shall not be given a permit to operate another international gateway.

Section 8. In prescribing the applicable technical/operational and traffic settlement rules, the NTC shall consider the following:

- 8.1 The technical/operational rules should conform with the relevant recommendations of the Consultative Committee on International Telegraph and Telephone (CCITT) and the International Telecommunications Union (ITU).
- 8.2 For traffic settlement rules:

- Either meet-on-the-air and/or midpoint circuit interconnection between parties;
- (b) For local exchange point of interconnection, settlement shall be on the basis of volume of traffic on the local connection based on per minute with day and night rate differential. In case of store and forward services for facsimile, data and voice mail, settlement shall be on the basis of equivalent monthly trunk line charges as generally charged by the local exchange carrier (LEC) to its customer owning their own PABX;
 - (c) For junction exchange point of interconnection, settlement shall be on the basis of volume of traffic carried over:
 - i) short haul connection not exceeding 150 kilometers; and
 - ii) long haul connection exceeding 150 kilometers.

Similarly, a per minute rate shall be evolved with day and night differential. The determination of the per minute rate is based on the principle of recognizing recovery of the toll related cost and fair return of the investment of the facilities employed in making the toll call exchange between the systems.

- (d) Subsidies which shall be approved on the basis of the sound public policy shall be allowed in two (2) ways:
 - i) for operator assisted calls - an operator sur-charge kept by the system that employs the operator; and
 - ii) access charge - the principle of access charge is an assistance to the unprofitable rural telephone development, remote pay stations, etc., thereby assuring the universal service obligation of the PSTN operators. The introduction of the access charge may result in a charge that will be passed on to the subscribers of the PSTN.

Section 9. Interconnection shall at all times satisfy the requirements of effective competition and shall be effected in a non-discriminatory manner.

Section 10. The Points of Connection (PC) between public telecommunications carriers shall be defined by the NTC, and the apportionment of costs and division of revenues resulting from interconnection of telecommunications networks shall be approved or prescribed by the NTC.

Section 11. Interconnecting parties shall share the cost of interconnection in accordance with their respective responsibilities, maintain and operate their facilities, and comply with their obligations as agreed upon and approved by the NTC, or as prescribed by the NTC.

Section 12. Interconnection and revenue-sharing agreements approved or prescribed by the NTC may be revoked, revised, or amended as the NTC deems fit in the interest of the public service.

Section 13. In the implementation of this Executive Order, the NTC may, after due notice and hearing, impose the following penalties in case of violation of any of the provisions hereof:

- 13.1. Imposition of such administrative fines, penalties and sanctions as may be allowed or prescribed by existing laws;
- 13.2. Suspension of further action on all pending and future applications for permits, licenses or authorizations of the violating carrier or operator and in which particular case, the NTC shall be exempted from compliance with the provisions of Executive

Order No. 26 dated 7 October 1992 on the period for the disposition of cases or matters pending before it;

- 13.3. With the approval of the President, directive to the appropriate government financial or lending institutions to withhold the releases on any loan or credit accommodation which the violating carrier or operator may have with them;
- 13.4. Disqualification of the employees, officers or directors of the violating carrier or operator from being employed in any enterprise or entity under the supervision of the NTC; and
- 13.5. In appropriate cases, suspension of the authorized rates for any service or services of the violating carrier or operator without disruption of its services to the public.

Section 14. The NTC is directed to promulgate the implementing rules to this Executive Order within ninety (90) days from the date of effectivity hereof.

Section 15. All executive orders, administrative orders, and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

Section 16. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 60
CREATING THE INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

WHEREAS, Intellectual Property Rights - patents, trademarks and copyrights – have gained universal importance because of the important role technology plays in influencing international economics and trade;

WHEREAS, government policies related to Intellectual Property Rights would have far-reaching economic implications on our trade relations with our trading partners;

WHEREAS, the recognition and adequate protection of the rights of inventors, authors, and trademark owners should enhance the economic environment needed to attract foreign investments;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Government to protect intellectual properties against infringements, piracy and counterfeiting;

WHEREAS, there is a pressing need to have close coordination among government agencies responsible for the protection of intellectual property rights;

WHEREAS, there is a pressing need to come up with concerted efforts in the policy formulation of the Government in order to effectively combat piracy and counterfeiting of intellectual property rights;

WHEREAS, the Government is now currently in the process of evaluating its present laws on intellectual property rights in consonance with its multilateral and bilateral commitments;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. **Organization.** – There is hereby created an Inter-Agency Committee on Intellectual Property Rights (hereinafter called the “Committee”) under the Office of the President.

Section 2. **Composition.** – The Committee shall be composed of the Secretary of Trade and Industry, as Chairman, the Secretary of Justice and Secretary of Finance as Vice-Chairman, and the following as Members: the Chief Presidential Legal Counsel, the Director of the National Bureau of Investigation, the Chief of the Philippine National Police, the Commissioner of the Bureau of Customs, the Chairman of the Videogram Regulatory Board, the Commissioner of the National Telecommunications Commission, the Chief of the Copyright Office of the National Library, the Director of the Bureau of Patents, Trademarks and Technology Transfer, the Director of the Bureau of Trade Regulations and Consumer Protection, and one representative each from two major non-government organizations involved in the protection and promotion of intellectual property rights to be determined by the Committee.

Section 3. **Powers and Functions.** – The Committee shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Recommend policies and coordinate the policy making process in the Executive Branch of the Government vis-a-vis protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights;
- b. Coordinate with the different agencies of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches of the Government in order to effectively address the problem areas arising from infringement and counterfeiting of intellectual property rights;

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- c. Enlist the assistance of any branch, department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the Government, including government-owned and controlled corporations, in the anti-piracy and counterfeiting drive, which may include the use of its personnel, facilities and resources for a more resolute prevention, detection and investigation of violations of laws enumerated in paragraph (d) hereof, and prosecution of criminal and administrative cases;
 - d. Cause and direct the immediate investigation and speedy prosecution of cases involving violations of copyright, trademarks, patents and other intellectual property related laws or such intellectual property theft-related cases that is referred to the Committee;
 - e. Recommend the transfer of a case involving violations of the laws or statutes detailed in paragraph (d) hereon from any law enforcement agency or prosecution office, as the Committee may deem proper and necessary, in the interest of efficient and expeditious dispensation of criminal justice, and monitor for speedy resolution such cases under investigation or prosecution as the case may be, by the appropriate operating or implementing agency herein provided;
 - f. Refer, as the Committee may deem proper and for the same reasons stated in the preceding paragraph, to the appropriate law enforcement agency or prosecution office, the investigation or prosecution, as the case may be, of any of the cases adverted to in paragraph (d) hereof;
 - g. Monitor the progress of on-going investigation and prosecution of cases taken cognizance of by the Committee;
 - h. Prepare and implement a fast-track anti-piracy and counterfeiting plan of action and adopt appropriate strategies and measures to ensure an effective and efficient anti-piracy and counterfeiting program, and public adherence to and compliance with all domestic and international laws for the protection of intellectual property rights;
 - i. Coordinate with the appropriate government agencies and non-governmental organizations an information dissemination campaign on intellectual property rights and the measures that have to be adopted to address the issues.
 - j. Recommend appropriate intellectual property rights issuances and legislation to the President and Congress;
 - k. Consider the granting of monetary rewards and incentives to informants who are willing to give vital information to build up cases for the prosecution of criminal offenders as provided under existing laws; and
 - l. Perform such other functions necessary in the pursuance of its objectives.

Section 4. *Technical and Administrative Staff.* - The Committee shall organize its Secretariat under the Office of the Secretary of Trade and Industry to be headed by an Executive Officer designated by the Chairman.

Section 5. *Funding.* - The Committee shall, upon the recommendation of the Chairman, be provided with an initial budget to be determined and approved by the President. Appropriations for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposals under the Office of the President.

Section 6. *Operating Guidelines.* - The Committee shall adopt such operating guidelines as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order.

Section 7. *Effectivity.* - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 26th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 61

MODIFYING THE NOMENCLATURE AND RATES OF IMPORT DUTY OF CERTAIN ARTICLES UNDER SECTION 104 OF THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, IN IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 23 (10) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7607, THE MAGNA CARTA OF SMALL FARMERS

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the State to give the highest priority to the development of agriculture through the empowerment of small farmers;

WHEREAS, in pursuance of this policy, the State shall provide incentives to small farmers so as to accelerate productivity and to promote self-sufficiency and full development of agricultural potentials;

WHEREAS, the Magna Carta of Small Farmers in Section 23 affords small farmers various incentives and support including the disallowance of the importation of agricultural products that are produced locally in sufficient quantity;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority, the Departments of Agriculture, Finance, Trade and Industry, and other concerned agencies, have recommended modifying the rates of import duty on meat of bovine animals, fresh, chilled or frozen, corn and feed wheat, under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, to implement the letter and spirit of Section 23 of the Magna Carta of Small Farmers;

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines is authorized under Section 401 of the said Tariff and Customs Code to, among others, “increase, reduce or remove existing protective rates of import duty (including any necessary change in classification)” and “to establish import quota or to ban imports of any commodity;”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The articles listed in Annex “A” hereof as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall have the classification and rate of import duty to be applied in stages in accordance with the schedules indicated opposite each article; Provided, that the rates of duty indicated in said Annex “A” shall continue to be levied, imposed and collected in the succeeding years until otherwise modified.

Sec. 2. The classification and the rates of import duties of the other articles under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, which are not affected by Section 1 hereof, shall remain in force and effect.

Sec. 3. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, the aforementioned articles in Annex “A” which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses for consumption in the Philippines shall be subject to the rates of duty prescribed herein.

Sec. 4. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

Sec. 5. This Executive Order shall take effect thirty (30) days following its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 27th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 62
PRESCRIBING POLICIES AND GUIDELINES TO IMPLEMENT REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7227

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7227, otherwise known as the Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992 (Act), creates the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) and defines its powers and functions;

WHEREAS, the Act also creates the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) and stipulates that the BCDA may create subsidiaries, joint ventures, authorities, and special economic zones in implementing the conversion program;

WHEREAS, the National Government is committed to the alleviation of poverty and the further empowerment of the people to be carried out under the Medium Term Philippine Development Plan (1993-1998) which emphasizes national unification, sustained economic growth, accelerated infrastructure development, protection of the environment, and streamlining of the bureaucracy;

WHEREAS, responsive policy guidelines are needed to clarify the oversight and management functions of the BCDA in relation with the subsidiaries and attached authorities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, and upon recommendation of the Chairman of the BCDA, do hereby order the adoption and implementation of the following policies and guidelines:

SECTION 1. POLICY FRAMEWORK. The BCDA shall be guided by the following policy framework in its conversion program:

- 1.1. The primary objective of the conversion program is to create immediate employment and livelihood opportunities utilizing existing world class infrastructure and support facilities in the reverted baselands in line with the national government objective of poverty alleviation and sustained economic recovery and growth;
- 1.2. The preparation and implementation of conversion development plans shall be undertaken with the active and meaningful participation of the private sector, including non-governmental and peoples organizations, and affected local communities;
- 1.3. The BCDA shall adopt investor-friendly policies, rules and regulations and create an efficient business environment with no or minimum bureaucratic *red tape* to attract local and foreign investments;
- 1.4. The BCDA shall plan and implement fund generating projects which will maximize the use of the military camps in Metro Manila that shall be sold pursuant to Section 8 of the Act with the funds generated therefrom to be strictly utilized as provided for in the Act; and
- 1.5. Conversion projects must be financially self-sustaining in the long term and should contribute significantly to national economic development.

SECTION 2. PURPOSES OF THE BCDA. As provided in Section 4 of the Act, the BCDA shall have the following purposes:

- 2.1. Own, hold and administer the reverted baselands and the portions of Metro Manila military camps transferred to it, and adopt, prepare and implement a comprehensive and detailed development program for its subsidiaries and attached authorities in consonance with the following directional plans:
 - 2.1.1. *Subic Naval Base.* To be developed as a special economic and free-port zone ensuring the free flow of goods and capital in accordance with prescribed rules, to generate employment opportunities in and around the zone, and to attract and promote productive local and foreign investments. The Subic Special Economic and Free-port Zone shall be developed, operated, administered, and managed by the SBMA;
 - 2.1.2. *Clark Air Base.* To be developed as a special economic zone with such incentives and privileges granted the Subic Special Economic and Free-port Zone and Export Processing Zones. The Clark Special Economic Zone (CSEZ) shall form part of the growth triad connecting with Subic and Metro Manila as a buffer to *in-migration* to the metropolis. The CSEZ is envisioned as a new industrial townsite and a major civil aviation complex for international passenger and/or cargo;
 - 2.1.3. *Camp John Hay.* To be preserved, maintained, enhanced and developed as a forest watershed and tourist destination. The natural attributes and character of the Camp shall be maintained. The facilities shall be developed with the expertise of the private sector to maximize its potential for both local and foreign tourism;
 - 2.1.4. *Other Baselands.* The Wallace Air Station, O'Donnel Transmitter Station, San Miguel Naval Communication Station, and Mt. Sta. Rita Station shall be developed in accordance with its best land use and the national concerns as stated in the Act and as may be determined by the President in line with national priorities;
 - 2.1.5. *Other Special Economic Zones.* To create, develop and manage other special economic zones covering the municipalities of Morong, Hermosa, Dinalupihan in Bataan and Castillejos, San Antonio and San Marcelino in Zambales subject to economic viability studies; and
 - 2.1.6. *Metro Manila Military Camps.* To develop and/or dispose of portions of the military camps transferred to the BCDA for other productive uses to generate funds for base conversion, military housing and military modernization. The timetable of disposition and conversion of Metro Manila camps shall be approved by the President of the Philippines in close coordination with the Department of National Defense and the Armed Forces of the Philippines;
 - 2.2. Encourage the active and meaningful participation of the private sector in financing, managing and overseeing conversion projects, particularly in Clark and Subic;
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- 2.3. Establish a mechanism of coordination with the appropriate local government units to effect meaningful consultation with communities affected by the conversion plans and projects;
 - 2.4. Serve as the holding company of subsidiary companies, to coordinate attached authorities, invest in special economic zones, and manage and operate development projects through private sector companies; and
 - 2.5. Plan and undertake the readjustment, relocation or resettlement of population within the baselands and their extensions, particularly the affected military personnel, in coordination with appropriate local government units and government agencies, particularly the Department of National Defense and the Armed Forces of the Philippines.

SECTION 3. SUBSIDIARIES AND ATTACHED AUTHORITIES. The BCDA shall have the power to form, establish, organize and maintain subsidiary corporation(s) pursuant to Section 16 of the Act.

In accordance with Section 14(a) of the Act, the BCDA shall exercise oversight function over the SBMA.

To perform its oversight function over subsidiaries, attached authorities and special economic zones declared under the Act, including SBMA, the BCDA shall adopt and implement an effective oversight mechanism to encourage efficient utilization of scarce government resources and to ensure that plans and programs of subsidiaries, attached authorities and special economic zones are proceeding according to national goals and objectives.

- 3.1. **Governing Board of Directors.** The subsidiaries and attached authorities shall be governed by their respective policy making Board of Directors which shall perform the following, subject to existing laws and regulations:
 - 3.1.1. Approve corporate plans and programs consistent with the policy directions of the BCDA;
 - 3.1.2. Approve and adopt internal administrative and operating rules and regulations for implementation by the officials and management of the subsidiary or attached authority;
 - 3.1.3. Establish financial and operations performance targets for management as basis for evaluating and monitoring corporate performance;
 - 3.1.4. Determine the organizational structure, define the duties and responsibilities of all officials, and adopt a pay plan and position classification;
 - 3.1.5. Appoint all officials down to the third level and authorize the President of the subsidiary or attached authority to appoint all others: Provided that, all appointments shall be on the basis of merit, experience, integrity and fitness;
 - 3.1.6. Prepare and approve the annual and supplemental budget of the subsidiary or attached authority;
 - 3.1.7. Approve capital expenditures and investments program, all forms of indebtedness, substantial sales, transfers and alienation of assets and properties of the subsidiary or attached authority;

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- 3.1.8. Require management to periodically submit to the Board such management reports as may be required by it to include, among others, the following: annual budgets, organization, personnel plantilla and programs, report of operations, infrastructure programs and major capital investment programs;
 - 3.1.9. Develop and implement a privatization, commercialization and/or divestment program of all its major assets and facilities within two (2) years from start of operation; Provided that, by the fourth year of full operation, a privatization or divestment program shall have been in place; and
 - 3.1.10. Submit to the BCDA a copy of its management reports to include, among others, the following: annual budgets, organization, personnel, report of operations, infrastructure program and capital investments program, and any other reports which the BCDA may require.
- 3.2. **Organization.** Organization of subsidiaries or attached authorities shall have the following common features, subject to existing laws and regulations:
- 3.2.1. The powers and functions of the subsidiaries or attached authorities of the BCDA shall be exercised by their respective Board of Directors to be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon recommendation of the Chairman of the BCDA. The Board shall be composed of a minimum of seven (7) members who being trustees of the Government, may be removed at any time by the President;
 - 3.2.2. The governing Board of each subsidiary and attached authority shall approve the annual budget, plans and program organization, and personnel plantilla of the subsidiary or authority during an annual planning workshop with the management committee;
 - 3.2.3. The Chairman of the Board shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the subsidiary or attached authority who shall be responsible for ensuring that the plans and programs shall be directed towards the attainment of the corporate goals and objectives;
 - 3.2.4. The Board shall appoint a Chief Operating Officer who shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the subsidiary or authority;
 - 3.2.5. A Chief Financial Officer shall be appointed to be responsible for ensuring the efficient allocation and use of financial resources and promoting financial discipline in the subsidiary or authority;
 - 3.2.6. The Board shall create a management committee reporting directly to the Chief Executive Officer which shall assist in planning and monitoring overall corporate performance;
 - 3.2.7. A Pay Plan and Position Classification shall be adopted which shall include the job descriptions and position qualification standards. Appointment to positions shall be based on merit, experience, and fitness, and must meet the minimum qualification standards prescribed for the position being appointed to; and
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3.2.8. The number of personnel shall be kept to a minimum to effect a lean, efficient and professional organization.

3.3. **Operations And Financial Policies.** To promote efficient allocation and use of government resources and to instill financial discipline in subsidiaries and attached authorities, the BCDA hereby adopts the following operations and financial policy guidelines:

3.3.1. The BCDA shall provide standard corporate planning models which will give subsidiaries and attached authorities sufficient operational flexibility. In the formulation of the corporate plans and programs, the subsidiary or attached authority shall be guided by the performance indicators and targets agreed upon with the BCDA;

3.3.2. The BCDA shall establish with the concurrence of the attached subsidiaries and authorities, performance criteria, standards and targets and conduct periodic review and appraisal of performance in accordance with such agreed criteria, performance indicators and targets;

3.3.3. The governing Boards of subsidiaries and attached authorities are authorized to enter into contracts involving not more than fifty million pesos (P50M);

Unless otherwise provided, the governing Board shall determine the levels of approving authority to be delegated to its corporate officers.

The levels of authority on approval of government contracts provided for in Executive Order No. 380 (November 27, 1989) or other laws and regulations that may hereafter be promulgated shall apply to contracts exceeding fifty million pesos (P50M);

3.3.4. The governing Boards of the subsidiaries or attached authorities shall require its management to submit the following minimum required financial reports:

Particulars	Submission Frequency	Submission Deadline
Statement of Monthly Actual Financial Operations	Monthly	45th day after end of reported month
3 Year Projection of Annual Financial Operations	Annually	June 30 of year preceding the projected period.
Schedule of Monthly Actual Net External and Domestic Financing	Monthly	45th day after end of reported month.
3 Year Projection of Annual Capital Expenditure Projects	Annually	June 30 of year preceding the projected period
Quarterly Financial Statements	Quarterly	45th day after end of reported quarter.
Corporate Annual Report	Annually	June 30 of year succeeding the monitored year.

A copy of these financial reports shall also be submitted to the BCDA to assist it in performing its oversight function;

- 3.3.5. Conversion projects must achieve specific objectives, must have realistic and quantifiable targets, and time-bound;
- 3.3.6. A Performance Agreement shall be entered into by and between the Chief Executive Officer of the subsidiary or attached authority with the BCDA embodying the performance criteria and target for the year and the desired goals of the succeeding years as worked out and agreed upon by the subsidiary or authority and the BCDA; and
- 3.3.7. The BCDA shall conduct at least a semi-annual review of operations of the subsidiary or attached authority in relation to established criteria and agreed performance targets.

SECTION 4. PRIVATIZATION. The BCDA hereby adopts the following policy guidelines in pursuing privatization, commercialization or divestment projects:

- 4.1. Privatization shall be the basic thrust of the conversion and development of the baselands. Privatization modes shall include, among others, leasing, joint ventures, management contract, build-operate-transfer (BOT) and its variants;
- 4.2. Subsidiaries and attached authorities shall, unless specifically created for the purpose, inhibit themselves from directly operating any business activity and shall basically function as the overseer/administrator/regulatory body over the baselands/facility they administered;

As a general rule, the privatization process should be conducted through public bidding. However, in the exigency of public service and national interest, and consonant with existing laws, rules and regulations on negotiated contracts, simplified bidding through sealed canvass of at least three (3) pre-qualified investors, or direct negotiation, may be resorted to. The process of selecting the prospective lessees and private investors shall be transparent, where procedures and selection process adapted are made public through newspaper advertisements and similar other means;

Where necessary and justifiable, subsidiaries and attached authorities with the approval of the BCDA, may establish subsidiaries and/or joint venture firms to undertake specific business activities such as utilities and ports which the private sector is reluctant to undertake or participate or when public interest so dictates;

All negotiated privatization transactions, including leasing, joint venture or sales, shall be in conformity with policies approved by the President of the Philippines;
- 4.6. Prospective lessees, partners, and third party principals shall be chosen based on a selection criteria which shall consider experience, performance track record, financial capability, good credit standing, technical expertise, reputation and industry accreditation, among others. Minimum acceptable selection standards shall be established by the governing Board of the subsidiary or attached authority;
- 4.7. Subject to the provisions of applicable laws, rules and regulations, investment bankers, financial advisors and technical consultants may be hired through a short listing-bidding process to prepare and execute plans and programs for fund generations, privatization or divestment of assets and facilities and other investment and merchant banking requirements of the subsidiaries and attached operating authorities;
- 4.8. All privatization agreements and contracts shall be signed by the Chief Executive Officer upon being authorized by the Board;

Leasing of facilities by subsidiaries and attached authorities shall be governed by the following guidelines:

- 4.9.1. As a general rule, lease agreements affecting baselands properties and facilities shall be executed after a public bidding process. However, in special cases, and consonant with existing laws, rules and regulations on negotiated contracts, leasing may be done through sealed canvass of at least three (3) prequalified potential lessees, or through direct negotiation, in conformity with policies approved by the President of the Philippines;
- 4.9.2. Lease agreements may be on short-term or long-term basis but not to exceed 25 years subject to renewal for another 25 years;
- 4.9.3. The leasing procedures, standard rates, lease terms and conditions shall be approved by the governing Board of the subsidiary or attached authority; and
- 4.9.4. Unless otherwise authorized, lease contracts shall be signed by the Chief Executive Officer representing the Board of Directors of the subsidiary or attached authority.

SECTION 5. SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS. As a general rule, subsidiaries and attached authorities should engage the services of private security agencies to secure the facilities and assets that are to be privatized and preserved. Organic security personnel shall be retained only for the purpose of supervising and monitoring the activities of contracted private security guards and to liaise with law enforcement authorities.

Heads of subsidiaries should secure the full assistance and participation of local government units, government agencies, and non-government and peoples organizations to preserve and protect the properties and natural resources within the military reservations and extensions from damage and deterioration.

SECTION 6. ENVIRONMENT. A permanent total log ban shall be applied in all military reservations and extensions which shall allow supervised cuttings to prevent forest fires compatible with judicious management of the forest. These cuttings shall require prior approval of the operating authority or subsidiary tasked to manage the facility and/or area.

Environmental impact assessment studies shall be required of all major projects which could affect the environment.

Environmental standards shall be strictly enforced by subsidiaries and attached authorities in their respective areas of responsibility.

SECTION 7. DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES. All heads of government departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities are directed to facilitate the necessary approvals and assist the BCDA to expedite the implementation of the various projects and activities of the conversion program.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY. These implementing policies guidelines shall take effect immediately upon approval.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 27th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 63**CREATING THE NATIONAL, REGIONAL, PROVINCIAL, CITY, MUNICIPAL, AND BARANGAY
PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS (PFSDC)**

WHEREAS, Article XIV, Section 19(1), of the Constitution provides that “The State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry;”

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 6847 created the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) under the Office of the President to carry out this constitutional mandate in coordination with the various government departments and agencies and private entities;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the implementation of the National Policy and Program of “SPORTS FOR ALL”, Section 7(m) of Republic Act No. 6847 provides that the PSC shall “encourage, promote and sustain the creation and establishment of regional, provincial, municipal and barangay or school district sports promotion and development councils, composed of officials from the Department of Education, Culture and Sports, Department of the Interior and Local Government, local government officials and representatives of the private sector, which shall initiate, conduct and coordinate sports activities in their respective jurisdictions;”

WHEREAS, the SPORTS COVENANT forged by all participants during the Sports Summit '92, which adopted the National Policy of “SPORTS FOR ALL,” specifically cited the urgent need to establish and institutionalize the sports development councils nationwide to assist the Philippine Sports Commission in the actual implementation of their respective programs for the nationwide observance of the “Decade of Physical Fitness and Sports;”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. – There is hereby constituted the National, Regional, Provincial, City, Municipal, and Barangay Physical Fitness and Sports Development Councils, hereinafter referred to as PFSDC, which shall act as the nationwide organizational network to assist the Philippine Sports Commission in the planning, information dissemination, and actual implementation and monitoring of the National Policy and Program of “SPORTS FOR ALL” and shall be composed of the following:

(a) The NATIONAL PFSDC:

Secretary of the DILG	-	Chairman
Secretary of the DECS	-	Co-Chairman
Secretary of the DND	-	Vice-Chairman
Secretary of the DOLE	-	Co-Vice Chairman
Chairman, Philippine Sports Commission	-	Sec. General

Chairman, Senate Committee on Sports	-	Honorary Member
Chairman, House Committee on Sports	-	Honorary Member
President, League of Provincial Governors	-	Member
Presidential Adviser on Sports	-	Member
National President, SK Federation	-	Member
PNP Director General	-	Member
(2) Representatives from private sector	-	Members
 (b) The REGIONAL PFSDC:		
DILG Regional Director	-	Chairman
DECS Regional Director	-	Co-Chairman
DND Representative	-	Vice-Chairman
PSC Regional Head (SGRO)	-	Sec. General
PNP Regional Director	-	Member
Provincial Governors	-	Members
SK Regional Federation President	-	Member
(2) NGO Representatives	-	Members
 (c) The PROVINCIAL PFSDC:		
Provincial Governor	-	Chairman
Provincial Vice-Governor	-	Vice-Chairman
DECS Division Superintendent	-	Sec. General
DILG PLGOO	-	Member
DND Representative	-	Member
PNP Provincial Director	-	Member
City/Municipal Mayors League President	-	Member
SK Provincial Federation President	-	Member
(2) NGO Representatives	-	Members
 (d) The CITY/MUNICIPAL PFSDC:		
City/Municipal Mayors	-	Chairman
PNP Representative	-	Vice-Chairman
DECS PFSS Division Supervisor	-	Sec. General
DILG Representative (CLGO)	-	Member
ABC President	-	Member
SK Federation City/Municipal Chairman	-	Member
(2) NGO Representatives	-	Members
 (e) The BARANGAY PFSDC:		
Barangay Chairman	-	Chairman
DECS School Principal	-	Vice-Chairman
SK Representative	-	Member

Kagawad Sports Coordinator	-	Member
Homeowners Assn. Representative	-	Member
(2) NGO Representatives	-	Members

SEC. 2. FUNCTIONS - The PFSDC Chairman, officers, and members shall designate the NGO Representatives, establish linkages and call on other public or private entities or individuals for assistance, convene the Council within 60 days hereof, and assume the following functions and responsibilities:

1. meet at least once a month and plan and formulate a blueprint for the short, medium, and long term for the sectoral sports based on the National Policy and Program of “SPORTS FOR ALL,” including a well-synchronized year round calendar of sports activities and competitions culminating in a national “PALARONG PAMBANSA;”
2. conduct local “Sports Summits” in consultation with other public and private entities concerned to identify and prioritize sports programs and activities in their respective localities and areas of concern and to monitor, review, and validate their program;
3. oversee and ensure the implementation of the physical fitness and sports program and activities in their respective areas of concern, i.e., DECS for physical education and school sports, DILG and LGUs for community-based sports, DND for military sports, DOLE for labor sports, POC and NSAs for elite sports for international competitions, and GAB for professional sports;
4. disseminate proper information on the national policy and program, including their local programs to encourage the active participation of their constituents on physical fitness and sports activities;
5. assist in the identification, recruitment, and training of gifted and talented athletes from their areas to ensure a wide base for the selection of national athletes who will represent the country in international sports competitions;
6. submit a quarterly report to the Chairman of the National PFSDC and furnish a copy of the same to the Philippine Sports Commission; and
7. perform other functions deemed necessary to promote and implement the National Policy and Program.

SEC. 3. The DILG, DECS, DND, DOLE, DOH, local government units, MMA, PNP, and other concerned government agencies and instrumentalities shall issue appropriate circulars and guidelines to implement this Order within their respective areas of concern and shall incorporate, in their respective annual budgets, a separate and specific budget for physical fitness and sports promotion and development to be exempt from executive issuances on economy measures, and shall conduct fund-raising activities with the private sector to sustain the program and activities of the PFSDC at all levels.

SEC. 4. The PSG shall serve as the National Secretariat to coordinate, integrate, and monitor all the requirements and activities of the PFSDCs and shall provide the technical, logistical, and financial support to augment their fund requirements for their national program and activities.

SEC. 5. All heads of departments, offices, agencies, local governments, government-owned and controlled corporations, and instrumentalities of the government are hereby directed to support the program and activities of the Physical Fitness and Sports Development Councils (PFSDC).

Non-governmental Organizations, particularly the Philippine Olympic Committee and the various National Sports Association, are hereby requested to lend their full cooperation and active

participation in ensuring that priority is given to physical fitness and sports to foster peace and unity, patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, preserve human and natural resources, and promote total human liberation and development.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 64

ADOPTING THE NATIONAL POLICY AND PROGRAM OF “SPORTS FOR ALL” BY ALL CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES BASED ON THE SPORTS COVENANT FORGED DURING THE 1ST PHILIPPINE SPORTS SUMMIT '92 HELD IN BAGUIO CITY

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 27 directed the concerned departments to ensure the successful staging of the 1st PHILIPPINE SPORTS SUMMIT this year to validate the existing national policy and program for physical fitness and sports in the country;

WHEREAS, the 1st Philippine Sports Summit was successfully held from October 23 to 27, 1992, at the Teachers Camp in Baguio City with the theme “PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT THROUGH SPORTS”, which was participated by some 850 delegates from all over the country representing all concerned government and private sectors;

WHEREAS, as a result of the said national consultation and planning workshop and conference, a SPORTS COVENANT was forged together with 38 Resolutions adopted covering a broad spectrum of concerns recommending strategies of implementation for a short, medium and long term physical fitness and sports development program;

WHEREAS, the national policy of “SPORTS FOR ALL” was unanimously approved as manifested by the Sports Covenant, based on the universal principle adopted by the UNESCO International Chapter for Physical Education and Sports, as well as the need to rediscover the traditional and universal values inherent in the practice of sports, such as patriotism, nationalism, self-discipline, team work and hard work, camaraderie, sportsmanship and fair play, respect for law and order and the rights of others, preservation of our human and natural resources, and the continuing quest for excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. NATIONAL POLICY. – The National Policy of “SPORTS FOR ALL” shall be adopted by all concerned government and private entities based on the Sports Covenant forged during the 1st Philippine Sports Summit '92 held from October 23 to 27, 1992, in Baguio City and to:

- make accessible to all, regardless of age, gender, talent, and capabilities, a program of physical fitness and sports in consonance with established national policy of “SPORTS FOR ALL”;
 2. identify, develop, harness, and utilize resources for the optimal, efficient, and effective implementation of the Program; and
 3. preserve and promote the desirable traditional and universal values in physical fitness and sports.
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SEC. 2. NATIONAL PROGRAM – The Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), based on this national policy of “SPORTS FOR ALL,” shall plan and implement a National Program for Philippine Sports throughout the “DECADE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS” in coordination with all concerned public and private entities and shall assist, oversee, and ensure that an integrated comprehensive program for the short, medium, and long term plan of action and year-round calendar of activities for the multi-sectoral sports be implemented and sustained by the National, Regional, Provincial, City, Municipal, and Barangay Physical Fitness and Sports Development Councils (PFSDC) as created under Executive Order No. 27 respecting their individual set-up, priorities, resources, organizational structure, and level of competence.

1	Physical Education and School Sports	Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS)
	Community based sports	Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the Local Government Units (LGUs)
3.	Military sports	Department of National Defense (DND) and the Philippine National Police (PNP)
4.	Labor sports	Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Civil Service Commission
	Elite sports for international meets	Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) and the National Sports Associations (NSAs)
6.	Professional sports	Games and Amusements Board (GAB)

In order to effectively monitor and sustain the implementation of the mass-based sports policy and program, the above-mentioned government agencies and all other concerned government entities are hereby directed to submit a bi-annual report on the progress and accomplishments of their respective sports program to the Office of the President represented by the Philippine Sports Commission.

SEC. 3. FUNDING. – The PSC shall provide funds from its National Sports Development Fund for the National Program and activities of national interest and allocate a certain amount for the multi-sectoral sports to be determined by the PSC Board, while the DECS, DILG, local government units, DND, PNP, DOLE, DOH, MMA, GOCCS, and all other concerned government agencies or instrumentalities are hereby directed to incorporate, in their respective annual budgets, a separate and specific fund for their respective physical fitness and sports development programs and activities within their respective organization in consonance with the National Policy and Program of “SPORTS FOR ALL.”

All private associations, clubs and NGO organizations, including the Philippine Olympic Committee and the various National Sports Associations, are hereby urged to actively participate and assist the National Government in the promotion and development, not only of elite sports for international sports competitions, but also of the National Policy and Program for physical fitness and sports development in the country.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 65

CONSTITUTING THE STEERING COMMITTEE TO UNDERTAKE AND COORDINATE THE PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE WORKING GROUP ON MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Indonesian Government, the convenor of the annual informal Workshops on “Managing Potential Conflicts in the South China Sea”, has invited the Philippines to host one or both of the two Working Groups established by the third Workshop held in Yogyakarta in 1992;

WHEREAS, these annual Workshops, although unofficial in nature, constitute an important confidence-building mechanism and a valuable dialogue forum for maintaining the peace and avoiding conflict over an area that is commonly regarded as a potential “flashpoint”;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Government has accepted the Indonesian invitation and decided to host and organize the Working Group on Marine Scientific Research in March 1993;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Government considers the responsibility of hosting the Working Group on Marine Scientific Research in the South China Sea to be an important and valuable one because the Working Group will form an active part of a peace process aimed at promoting cooperation and avoiding conflict in the South China Sea, and will provide opportunities for joint efforts in marine scientific research which could yield valuable results for the populations and ecologies of the region;

WHEREAS, there is a need to constitute a Steering Committee to undertake and coordinate the preparatory work for the meetings and other activities of the Working Group;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Steering Committee which will undertake and coordinate the preparatory work for the Working Group on Marine Scientific Research in the South China Sea is hereby constituted and shall be composed of representatives from the following:

Department of Foreign Affairs	-	Chairman
Department of Science and Technology	-	Vice-Chairman
Department of Environment and Natural Resources	-	Member
Department of National Defense	-	Member
Marine Science Institute, University of the Philippines	-	Member
Office of the National Security Adviser	-	Member
Institute of Strategic and Development Studies	-	Member

The Steering Committee shall be under the direction of the Department of Foreign Affairs.

SEC. 2. The Steering Committee shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

To plan and coordinate the preparatory work for the Working Group on Marine Scientific Research in the South China Sea;

- b To provide secretarial and other staff support for the meetings and other activities of the Working Group;
To call upon any department, bureau, office, agency, or instrumentality of the Philippine Government for such assistance as it may require in the performance of its duties and functions; and
To submit reports to the President, through the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, on its activities, including the disposition of funds received from local and other sources in support of its activities and work of the Working Group.

SEC. 3. The Steering Committee shall be assisted by a Secretariat to be headed by the Department of Foreign Affairs. The Department of Foreign Affairs may designate members of the Secretariat from among the member-agencies of the Steering Committee.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 1st day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 66
EXTENDING THE TERM OF EXISTENCE OF THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION
FROM 16 MARCH 1993 TO 30 JUNE 1993

WHEREAS, the term of existence of the National Unification Commission shall expire on 16 March 1993 as provided for in Executive Order No. 19 dated 1 September 1992, as amended by Executive Order No. 42 dated 11 December 1992;

WHEREAS, there is a need to afford the Commission more time to enable it to complete its consultations with various concerned sectors of society nationwide and to formulate and recommend a viable peace program that will ensure just, comprehensive, and lasting peace throughout the land.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that the term of existence of the National Unification Commission shall be, as it is hereby, extended from 16 March 1993 to 30 June 1993.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 4th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 67
FURTHER AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19, DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 1992, AS
AMENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 42, DATED DECEMBER 11, 1992

I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby further amend Paragraph (a) of Section 2 of Executive Order No. 19, dated September 1, 1992, as amended by Executive Order No. 42, dated December 1, 1992, to read as follows:

“a. Formulate and recommend, after consulting with the concerned sectors of society, to the President not later than June 30, 1993, a viable general amnesty program and peace process that will lead to a just, comprehensive, and lasting peace in the country;”

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 9th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 68
IMPOSING AN ENTRANCE FEE AT OVER-THE-COUNTER STORES
AND SHOPS OPERATED BY DUTY FREE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, by virtue of Executive Order No. 46, issued on September 4, 1986, the Department of Tourism, thru the Philippine Tourism Authority, established a duty and tax free merchandising system in the Philippines under the exclusive management of Duty Free Philippines in order to augment the service facilities for tourists and to generate foreign exchange and revenue for the government; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to generate additional revenue to finance the country's economic recovery and development programs and projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby direct the Philippine Tourism Authority, as follows:

Section 1. An entrance fee of Fifty Pesos (P50.00) per individual shall be imposed, effective 1 April 1993, on all non-passengers who enter over-the-counter stores and shops being operated by Duty Free Philippines, such as the Fiesta Shopping Center in Parañaque, Metro Manila, the Cebu City store, and Paskuhan Village Outlet in San Fernando, Pampanga, subject to such exemptions as may be provided for under implementing rules and regulations promulgated jointly by the Department of Tourism and the Bureau of Customs.

Section 2. The proceeds from the entrance fee collected under Section 1 of this Executive Order shall accrue to the general fund of the National Government, and shall be remitted monthly to National Treasury.

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, this 17th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 69
CREATING THE NATIONAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR THE THIRD ASEAN
MEETING OF MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR SOCIAL WELFARE

WHEREAS, the Philippines, believing that real development has a human face, puts great value on social welfare concerns;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, being an active and committed member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), subscribes to participation in all ASEAN meetings which make it possible for Philippine interests and concerns to be incorporated in major ASEAN decisions and programs;

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Ministers Responsible for Social Welfare, at its second meeting held in 26 March 1990 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, agreed to hold the third meeting in Manila in 1993, thus it is now incumbent on the Philippine Government to undertake such preparations as are necessary to ensure the successful holding of meeting in Manila in 1993;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create the National Organizing Committee for the Third ASEAN Meeting of Ministers Responsible for Social Welfare, hereinafter referred to as the Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee shall be drawn from the Department of Social Welfare and Development and the Vice-Chairman from the Department of Foreign Affairs. The members of the Committee shall be from the -

Presidential Management Staff	- Member
Office of the Press Secretary	- Member
Congress of the Philippines	- Member
Department of Budget and Management	Member
Department of Education, Culture and Sports	- Member
Department of Agriculture	- Member
National Nutrition Council	- Member
Department of Health	- Member
Department of Labor and Employment	- Member
Department of Tourism- Philippine Convention and Visitors Corporation	- Member
Presidential Assistant for Social Development	- Member
Department of the Interior and Local Government- Philippine National Police	- Member
Department of Transportation and Communications	- Member
Department of Public Works and Highways	- Member

The Department Secretaries and Executive Directors of the members of the Committee may designate their respective permanent representatives to the Committee in case of their inability to personally participate in the work of the Committee.

The Committee is empowered to create a Secretariat and Sub-Committees and call upon all other government and non-government and private agencies and individuals concerned to assist the Committee in its tasks.

The Department of Budget and Management is hereby directed to immediately release the amount of Three Million Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (P3,800,000.00) to cover the operating expenses for meetings chargeable against the CY 1993 International Commitments Fund and subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 18th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 70
PROVIDING FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE PRESIDENT'S SUMMER YOUTH WORK
PROGRAM, (PSYWP), AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the attainment of the people empowerment objective of the government requires the active involvement of the youth, which comprises 65% of our population, as the driving force for advocacy and for attaining economic and political stability;

WHEREAS, there is a need to undertake pump-priming activities for the youth sector as an integral part of the overall strategy of the government to further stimulate the economy;

WHEREAS, the program should be expanded to involve the youth in the delivery of health and social services in remote and insurgency affected barangays and in labor intensive projects to contribute to the economic pump priming program of the government;

WHEREAS, the 1993 General Appropriations Act (GAA) contains special provisions which mandate the concerned Departments to create summer jobs for college students and out of school youths and prescribe the payment for a period of employment;

WHEREAS, to ensure to continued success of the Program, it is imperative to strengthen the mechanisms therefor and its Steering Committee for the purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Steering Committee. There is hereby created the Program's Steering Committee, hereinafter referred to as the Committee, composed of the following:

a.	Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment	Chairman
b.	Head, Presidential Management Staff (PMS)	Co-Chairman
c.	Secretary, Department of Education, Culture and Sports	Member
d.	Secretary, Department of Interior and Local Government	Member
e.	Secretary, Department of Tourism	- Member
f.	Secretary, Department of Social Welfare and Development	Member
g.	Secretary, Department of Health	Member
h.	Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways	Member
i.	Director General, Philippine Information Agency	Member
j.	Chairman, Philippine Sports Commission (PSC)	Member
k.	Chairman, Presidential Council for Youth Affairs (PCYA)	Member

Section 2. Functions and Responsibilities of the Committee. The Committee shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

- a. Oversee the implementation and ensure the success of the program;
- b. Review and evaluate the implementation of the various components of the Program;
- c. Solicit and review the support and contribution for the purposes of the Program;

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- d. Call upon any government department or agency for the necessary assistance and support for the Program;
 - e. Prepare and submit a regular report and assessment of the Program with recommendations to the President, within the third quarter of every year of implementation of the Program; and,
 - f. Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the President.

Section 3. Program Components. The Program shall have seven (7) components, as follows:

- a. Government Internship Program (GIP). The GIP shall seek to initiate its youth participants into public service by involving them with government programs and projects, through the various departments and agencies. The implementation of the program components shall be coordinated by the Presidential Council for Youth Affairs (PCYA).
- b. Summer Work Appreciation Program for Students (SWAPS). The SWAPS shall develop the values of work appreciation and ethics among college and high school students by providing them with apprenticeship and actual work opportunities in private establishments. The Program shall involve various private sector and groups and employers federation and shall be coordinated by the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE).
- c. Program on Literacy cum Livelihood, Culture, Arts and Tourism. The Program shall provide the youth opportunities to develop appreciation and knowledge of Philippine culture and history. Program implementation shall be jointly undertaken by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS).
- d. Summer Youth Sports Program. The program shall provide training and instruction on various popular sports for the enhancement of the physical well being of participating youth. Program coordination shall be undertaken by Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) in coordination with the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG).
- e. Immersion and Outreach Program (IOP). the IOP aims to instill in the youth a sense of community service and volunteerism for the less privileged sectors of the society. The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) shall be the lead agency in the implementation of this program.
- f. Health Outreach Program (HOP). The HOP aims to promote an understanding and sense of awareness among the youth on critical health programs and issues such as population, environmental health, immunization, nutrition, drug abuse, among others.
- g. Youth in Infrastructure Development (YID). The program aims to train and involve the youth in labor intensive infrastructure programs in their respective localities. Through hands-on-training, the youths are introduced to the values of discipline, hardwork and labor.

The Committee members may designate their permanent representatives to participate in the work of the Committee.

Section 4. Funding. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is hereby authorized to release the amount of P500,000.00 out of the Contingent Fund authorized in the CY 1993 General Appropriations Act to the PCYA to provide for the operational expenses of the PSYWP, including the Steering Committee.

Section 5. All provisions of EO 395, Series of 1990 which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby deemed amended accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 20th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
CHIEF PRESIDENTIAL LEGAL COUNSEL

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 71

DEVOLVING THE POWERS OF THE HOUSING AND LAND USE REGULATORY BOARD TO APPROVE SUBDIVISION PLANS TO CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES PURSUANT TO R.A. NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

WHEREAS, RA 7160 provides that the sangguniang bayan or sangguniang panlungsod, respectively, shall, subject to national law, process and approve subdivision plan for residential, commercial, or industrial purposes or other development purposes;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree 933, Executive Order 648, series of 1981, as amended by Executive Order 90, series of 1986, and Presidential Decree No. 957, and other related laws provide for the rule-making standard setting, enforcement and monitoring and adjudication and settlement of disputes over subdivision, condominium and other estate development projects;

WHEREAS, RA 7279, otherwise known as the Urban and Housing Development Act of 1992, in effect, reaffirms the above powers and functions of the HLRB;

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure the effective and efficient devolution of powers to local government units, and provide for an orderly and smooth transition as well as definition of future interrelationships between the national and local government units;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, upon recommendation of the Oversight Committee created under Sec. 533 of RA 7160, do hereby Order and Direct;

SEC. 1. – Cities and municipalities shall heretofore assume the powers of the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLRB) over the following:

(a) Approval of preliminary as well as final subdivision schemes and development plans of all subdivisions, residential, commercial, industrial and for other purposes of the public and private sectors, in accordance with the provisions of P.D. No. 957 as amended and its implementing standards, rules and regulations concerning approval of subdivision plans;

(b) Approval of preliminary and final subdivision schemes and development plans of all economic and socialized housing projects as well as individual or group building and occupancy permits covered by BP 220 and its implementing standards, rules and regulations;

(c) Evaluation and resolution of opposition against the issuance of development permits for any of the said projects, in accordance with the said laws and the Rules of Procedure promulgated by HLRB incident thereto;

(d) Monitoring the nature and progress of land development of projects it has approved, as well as housing construction in the case of house and lot packages, to ensure their faithfulness to the approved plans and specifications thereof, and, imposition of appropriate measures to enforce compliance therewith.

In the exercise of such responsibilities, the city or municipality concerned shall be guided by the work program approved by the Board upon evaluation of the developers' financial, technical and administrative capabilities;

Moreover, the city or municipality concerned may call on the Board for assistance in the imposition of administrative sanctions and the Department of Justice (DOJ) in the institution of the criminal proceedings against violators;

(e) Assessment and collection of fees incident to the foregoing.

SEC. 2. – The HLRB shall retain such powers and functions not otherwise expressly provided herein or under existing laws.

SEC. 3. – Without prejudice to the Board’s overall monitoring, enforcement and visitorial powers, local chief executives shall designate appropriate local officials who meet or possess the qualifications, standards and criteria set by the HLRB as enforcement officers who shall have full power to monitor, investigate and enforce compliance with these provisions of national laws and standards whose implementation have been devolved to the local government in accordance with this Order.

Relative to the remaining provisions of the said laws, said officials shall, upon request of local chief executive concerned, be authorized by the Board to initiate preliminary monitoring and investigative activities, and issue initial notices to enforce compliance with the Board’s mandates, orders and decisions. In all such cases, the enforcement officer shall endorse the records of the case, together with his actions thereon to the Board for its final disposition and further enforcement actions.

In the exercise of his responsibilities under this Order, the said enforcement officer shall be under the functional supervision of HLRB, which shall promulgate standard operating procedures, policy guidelines and instructions for the guidance of said officials and call their attention to effect such remedial measures as may be necessary.

SEC. 4. – If in the course of evaluation of applications for registration and licensing of projects within its jurisdiction, HLRB finds that a local government unit has overlooked or mistakenly applied a certain law, rule or standard in issuing a development permit, it shall suspend action on and return the application with a corresponding advice to the local government concerned, so as to afford in an opportunity to take appropriate action thereon. Such return and advice must likewise be effected within a period of thirty (30) days from receipt by HLRB of the application.

SEC. 5. – The following rules shall apply upon the effectivity of this Order:

(a) HLRB shall cease accepting new applications for preliminary approval and development permit of subdivision projects, unless the provisions of the next paragraph hereunder are applicable, and the city or municipality concerned shall commence accepting and acting on new applications referred to in paragraph 1 of this Order;

(b) In those cases where the city or municipality concerned have not made any response to notices of devolution sent by the HLRB, or which have signified their unpreparedness to immediately assume the devolved functions, as of the said date, HLRB shall continue to act on, process and approve such applications, until receipt of a subsequent notice from the local government concerned, in the form of a resolution of the Sangguniang Bayan/Panlungsod that it is ready, desirous and willing to immediately assume such functions; Provided, that, the local government concerned shall give the HLRB adequate advance notice of their desire to take over such responsibility, and provide for a transition period of at least thirty (30) days from the orderly transfer of records and other pertinent documents and materials;

(c) All applications for development permit that are in the active file of HLRB (i.e., awaiting responses or documentary requirements) shall forthwith be transferred to the local government concerned for further processing and continuation of actions, unless the provisions of the preceding paragraph are applicable.

To ensure orderly transition of functions, HLRB shall, upon effectivity of this Order, reiterate its communication to the local government concerned, and shall continue to act on all applications until receipt of response of readiness from the local government concerned.

SEC. 6. – HLRB is hereby directed to extend adequate technical and legal assistance and training activities to local government units who express the need therefor.

SEC. 7 – If any of the provisions of this Order are declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or inoperative, the remainder hereof not affected thereby shall continue to remain in force and in effect.

SEC. 8 – This Executive Order supersedes any and all other Orders inconsistent herewith, and shall take effect immediately upon its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Issued in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of March, 1993.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.

Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 72

PROVIDING FOR THE PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991 AND OTHER PERTINENT LAWS.

WHEREAS, RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 (LGC), provides that local government units (LGUs) shall, in conformity with existing laws, continue to prepare their respective comprehensive land use plans enacted through zoning ordinances which shall be the primary and dominant bases for the future use of land resources;

WHEREAS, the LGC further provides that the requirements for food production, human settlements, and industrial expansion shall be taken into consideration in the preparation of comprehensive land use plans;

WHEREAS, PD 933 and EO 648, S. of 1981, as amended by EO 90, S. of 1986, empower the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLRB) to review, evaluate, and approve or disapprove land use plans of cities and municipalities;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid laws likewise authorize the HLRB to prescribe the standards and guidelines governing the preparation of land use plans, to monitor the implementation of such plans, and to adjudicate and settle the disputes among LGUs over their land use plans and zoning programs;

WHEREAS, RA 7279, otherwise known as the Urban and Housing Development Act of 1992, in effect, reaffirms the above powers and functions of the HLRB;

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the powers and responsibilities of the LGUs and the HLRB in the preparation and implementation of comprehensive land use plans under a decentralized framework of local governance;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, upon the recommendation of the Oversight Committee created under Sec. 533 of the LGC, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Plan formulation or updating. – (a) Cities and municipalities shall continue to formulate or update their respective comprehensive land use plans, in conformity with the land use planning and zoning standards and guidelines prescribed by the HLRB pursuant to national policies.

As a policy recommending body of the LGU, the city or municipal development council (CDC/MDC) shall initiate the formulation or updating of its land use plan, in consultation with the concerned sectors in the community. For this purpose, the CDC/MDC may seek the assistance of any local official or field officer of NGAs operating in the LGU.

The city or municipal planning and development coordinator (CPDC/MPDC) and/or the city or municipal agriculturist, if there is any, shall provide the technical support services and such other assistance as may be required by the CDC/MDC to effectively carry out this function.

The comprehensive land use plan prepared by the CDC/MDC shall be submitted to the sangguniang panlungsod or sangguniang bayan, as the case may be, for enactment into a zoning ordinance. Such ordinance shall be enacted and approved in accordance with Articles 107 and 108 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the LGC.

(b) The comprehensive land use plans of component cities and municipalities shall be formulated, adopted, or modified in accordance with the approved provincial comprehensive land use plans.

(c) Cities and municipalities of Metropolitan Manila shall continue to formulate or update their respective comprehensive land use plans, in accordance with the land use planning and zoning standards and guidelines prescribed by the HLRB pursuant to EO 392, S. of 1990, and other pertinent national policies.

(d) Provinces shall formulate and update their respective comprehensive land use plans in accordance with the national standards and guidelines.

As a policy recommending body of the province, the provincial development council (PDC) shall initiate the formulation or updating of its land use plan, in consultation with the concerned sectors in its component units. For this purpose, it may seek the assistance of any provincial official or field officer of NGAs operating in the province.

The provincial planning and development coordinator (PPDC) and/or the provincial agriculturist (PA) shall provide the technical support services and such other assistance as may be required by the PDC to effectively carry out this function.

The comprehensive land use plan prepared by the PDC shall be submitted to the sangguniang panlalawigan for enactment into an ordinance. Such ordinance shall be enacted and approved in accordance with Articles 107 and 108 of the IRR of the LGC.

SEC. 2. Plan review and approval. – (a) Pursuant to Section 468 (a-2-vii) of the LGC, the powers of the HLRB to review and approve the comprehensive land use plans of component cities and municipalities are hereby devolved to the province. Such powers shall be exercised by the sangguniang panlalawigan, subject to national standards and guidelines.

(b) There shall be established in every province a Provincial Land Use Committee (PLUC) to assist the sangguniang panlalawigan in reviewing the comprehensive land use plans of component cities and municipalities. The PLUC shall review such plans to –

- (1) Ensure that land use plans of component cities and municipalities are consistent with the provincial comprehensive land use plan and national policies, standards, and guidelines;
- (2) Recommend solutions to settle disputes among component units over alternative uses of land resources;
- (3) Promote the community-based program for sustainable development; and
- (4) Ensure that such plans are supportive of the objectives set forth in the Urban and Housing Development Act of 1992.

For purposes of policy coordination and uniformity in operational directions, the PLUC shall be attached to the PDC.

Any local planning and development coordinator and other officials of component units and field officers of NGAs operating in the province or region may be called upon by the PLUC to assist in the review of said plans. The technical secretariat of the PDC shall provide the necessary support services to the PLUC.

(c) The PLUC shall be composed of the provincial planning and development coordinator as chairman, the provincial agriculturist, a representative of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that are represented in the PDC, and representatives from the following NGAs, as members:

- (1) Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board;
- (2) Department of Environment and Natural Resources;

- (3) Department of Agrarian Reform;
- (4) Department of Trade and Industry;
- (5) Department of Public Works and Highways;
- (6) Department of Tourism; and
- (7) Department of the Interior and Local Government

The PLUC shall call upon the concerned CPDC or MPDC whenever their respective land use plans are deliberated by the Committee.

The PLUC, through the chairman, shall submit its findings and recommendations to the sangguniang panlalawigan, which shall be considered by the said sanggunian in making its decision.

(d) The Regional Land Use Committee (RLUC) shall review the comprehensive land use plans of provinces, highly-urbanized cities, and independent component cities. It shall review such plans to ensure their consistency with the Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPPF) and national policies set forth by the NLUC.

(e) Pursuant to LOI 729, S. of 1978, EO 648 S. of 1981, and RA 7279, the comprehensive land use plans of provinces, highly-urbanized cities and independent component cities shall be reviewed and ratified by the HLRB to ensure compliance with national standards and guidelines.

(f) Pursuant to EO 392 S. of 1990, the comprehensive land use plans of cities and municipalities of Metropolitan Manila shall be reviewed by HLRB to ensure compliance with national standards and guidelines.

(g) Said review shall be completed within three (3) months upon receipt thereof otherwise, the same shall be deemed consistent with law and, therefore, valid.

SEC. 3. Plan implementation. – (a) The authority of the HLRB to issue locational clearances for locally-significant projects is hereby devolved to cities and municipalities with comprehensive land use plans reviewed and approved in accordance with this Order. Such cities and municipalities shall likewise be responsible for the institution of other actions in the enforcement of the provisions thereof. For this purpose, they may call on the HLRB and such other NGAs for any legal and technical assistance.

Based on established national standards and priorities, the HLRB shall continue to issue locational clearances for projects considered to be of vital and national or regional economic or environmental significance. Unless otherwise declared by the NEDA Board, all projects shall be presumed locally-significant.

(b) All fees and other charges previously collected by the HLRB for the issuance of locational clearances shall now accrue entirely to the city or municipality concerned.

(c) Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order, the HLRB shall design and install an information system to monitor –

- (1) changes in the actual use of land resources; and
- (2) the implementation of comprehensive land use plans by LGUs with a view to ensuring compliance with national policies, standards, and guidelines.

SEC. 4. Provision of technical assistance. – (a) The HLRB is hereby directed to install new and appropriate mechanisms for the extension of technical and other forms of assistance to cities and municipalities to ensure that their land use plans conform to prescribed standards and guidelines and are consistent with national policies and other issuances of the National Land Use Committee (NLUC).

(b) The HLRB and the National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) are directed to extend technical and other forms of assistance to provinces to ensure that their land use plans are consistent with pertinent national policies, standards, and guidelines.

In addition, other NGAs concerned with land use are hereby directed to extend such technical assistance as may be requested by LGUs. Such assistance shall be extended at no extra cost to LGUs.

SEC. 5. Transitory provision. – Provisions of Sec. 3 (a), to the contrary notwithstanding, cities and municipalities with land use plans approved not earlier than 01 January 1989, shall issue locational clearances; Provided, that said LGU shall update their respective land use plans within five (5) years from the approval of such plans.

SEC 6. Effectivity. – This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 25th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 73
CREATING THE PRESIDENTIAL IRON AND STEEL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 7103, otherwise known as the Iron and Steel Industry Act, it is thereby declared a policy of the State to promote industrialization through the immediate establishment of an integrated iron and steel industry that makes full and efficient use of human and natural resources taking into consideration its critical impact on employment, indigenous resources utilization, foreign exchange and balance of payments position, and that the State shall provide impetus to the growth, promotion and development of the iron and steel industry as the springboard and basis for launching Philippine industrialization;

WHEREAS, said Republic Act No. 7103 has tasked various agencies of the Government to carry out the intent and provisions of the law;

WHEREAS, in order to focus on the effective implementation of Republic Act No. 7103, there is a need for a top-level body to coordinate said tasked agencies and other instrumentalities of the Government required to assist therein, as well as the private industry sectors affected thereby, and, to recommend to the President of the Philippines such policies as may be necessary to help attain the objectives of said Republic Act No. 7103.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. *The Committee.* – There is hereby created under the Office of the President the Presidential Iron and Steel Committee, hereinafter referred to as the Committee. The Committee shall exist until dissolved by the President of the Philippines.

SECTION 2. *Composition.* The Committee shall be composed of the following:

Secretary of Trade and Industry	Chairman
Director-General, National Economic Development Authority	Vice-Chairman
Secretary of Finance	Member
Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources	Member
Secretary of Science and Technology	Member
Four (4) representatives from the Private Sector to be appointed by the President of the Philippines, two (2) of whom shall be the President of the Philippine Iron and Steel Institute, and the Chairman of the National Steel Corporation	Members

Membership in the Committee of the foregoing cabinet members shall be in an *ex-officio* capacity.

SECTION 3. *Functions.* The Committee shall have the following functions:

To advise and recommend policies to the President of the Philippines on the over-all directions of the iron and steel industry in the country;

- (b) To coordinate and enhance collaboration among the agencies of the Government involved in the implementation of Republic Act No. 7103;
- (c) To monitor the progress of implementation of Republic Act No. 7103, and to recommend measures for the consideration of concerned agencies of the Government as may be necessary to assure the proper and expeditious implementation of the law; and To coordinate closely with and enlist the support of the private sector, particularly in the iron and steel industry, and to do all such other acts as may be required to accomplish the functions of the Committee.

SECTION 4. *Secretariat.* – The Committee shall be assisted in the performance of its functions by a Secretariat which shall be based at the Board of Investments headed by an official designated by the Secretary of Trade and Industry, together with personnel from the agencies of the Government and sectors represented in the Committee, who shall also be assigned to the Secretariat, respectively, by such members of the Committee.

SECTION 5. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 25th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 74
DIRECTING THE ADOPTION OF THE COUNTRY-TEAM
APPROACH IN THE CONDUCT OF DEVELOPMENT DIPLOMACY

WHEREAS, the President of the Republic of the Philippines has declared diplomacy for development as the central thrust of the country's foreign policy;

WHEREAS, in pursuit of this declaration, the Department of Foreign Affairs has directed its Foreign Service Posts to place new focus on the efforts to secure external resources necessary for the development of the Philippines through economic and commercial representation;

WHEREAS, economic and commercial representation involves a broad range of activities, such as the promotion of trade in goods and services, investments and tourism; the protection of workers' welfare; representations in trade policy; negotiations for official development assistance and bilateral debt; the facilitation of technology transfer and overseas employment; and economic information;

WHEREAS, such economic and commercial representation requires the cooperation of the concerned government departments and agencies;

WHEREAS, the representatives of the various government departments and agencies posted abroad and involved in said economic and commercial representation should act together as a one country-team; and

WHEREAS, the principles governing economic and commercial representation enunciated above apply as well to the politico-security and social sectors of development diplomacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby direct the adoption of the country-team approach in the conduct of development diplomacy, as follows:

SECTION 1. (a) All officers, representatives and personnel of the Philippine government posted abroad, including but not limited to Trade Commissioners, Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) attaches, and trade, information, labor, military and cultural attaches, shall, on a per country basis, act as one country-team with a mission under the leadership of the Ambassador, who shall act as team leader.

(b) In host countries where there are consulates, such consulates shall also constitute part of the country-team under the leadership of the Ambassador.

(c) In the implementation of the country-team approach, visiting Philippine congressional delegations shall be provided full support and information.

SECTION 2. (a) Each country-team shall define its mission which shall be consistent with the policies declared herein, and shall prepare annually a work programme containing the particular targets of results, the specific activities to achieve the same, and members of the team who shall implement them.

(b) The work programme shall be divided sectorally into the economic sector work programme, the politico-security work programme, and the social sector work programme.

SECTION 3. (a) A Cabinet level support group selected from the existing Cabinet clusters and to be known as the Development Diplomacy Committee shall be established to provide direction,

guidance and support in the formulation and implementation of the work programmes. The Committee shall be co-chaired by one representative each from the Departments of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Industry. The Committee shall establish sub-committees at senior official level to monitor the implementation of the work programmes.

(b) Representatives from other government departments and agencies, and/or from the business sector, media, fraternal, and veterans organizations may also be invited to participate in the Committee or sub-committees.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 29th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 75
CREATING THE NATIONAL HEROES COMMITTEE
UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, the State is mandated to foster patriotism and nationalism among the citizens, especially the youth, pursuant to Article II, Sections 13 and 17, of the Constitutions;

WHEREAS, the State, through its educational system, is also mandated to inculcate patriotism and nationalism, and the appreciation of the role of national heroes in the historical development of the country pursuant to Article XIV, Section 3(2), of the Constitution;

WHEREAS, Almighty God has gifted the sovereign Filipino people with National Heroes, the men and women of sterling character and remarkable achievements that directed, and continue to direct, the historic destiny of the country;

WHEREAS, it is timely and appropriate to proclaim these National Heroes, the renowned achievers of their generations and the shining exemplars of these times;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. A National Heroes Committee is hereby created, composed of the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports as Chairman, and the Secretary of Foreign Affairs and the Secretary of National Defense as Members, to study and recommend the proclamation of National Heroes.

SEC. 2. All departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Government, including government-owned or controlled corporations, are hereby directed to extend the fullest support to the National Heroes Committee in the performance of its functions.

SEC. 3. The private sector is hereby urged to assist the National Heroes Committee in the performance of its functions.

SEC. 4. The National Historical Commission shall act as Secretariat of the National Heroes Committee.

SEC. 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 29th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 76

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 57 DATED 15 FEBRUARY 1993 AUTHORIZING OWNERS AND/OR USERS OF UNREGISTERED OR UNAUTHORIZED WATER/SEWER CONNECTIONS, DEVICES OR INSTRUMENTS TO COMPLY WITH MWSS RULES AND REGULATIONS, WITHOUT PENALTY, UNDER THE “MWSS OPERATION LINIS” PROGRAM

WHEREAS, over 7,000 owners and/or users of unregistered or unauthorized water/sewer connections have already voluntarily disclosed the unregistered connections and applied for regularization thereof pursuant to Executive Order No. 57;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 57 only prescribes for a one-month period for regularization of unregistered water/sewer connections, the same to expire on 31 March 1993;

WHEREAS, there are still hundreds of such owners and/or users of unregistered connections who want to apply for regularization;

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan and Waterworks Sewerage System has received various requests from different quarters, principally from barangay officials in behalf of their constituents, for an extension of the regularization period;

WHEREAS, the more unregistered water/sewer connections regularized, the greater the increase in additional revenues for the MWSS;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The first paragraph of Section 1 of Executive Order No. 57 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“1. All owners/users of unbilled, unregistered and unauthorized installations of water and/or sewer service connections, or of devices which draw water without passing through MWSS-registered water meters, or of instruments which interfere with the normal and/or accurate functioning of MWSS-installed water meters and/or discharge sewage or wastewater into MWSS sewer mains without having applied and paid for the service, are hereby given a period one (1) month and fifteen days (15) after the date of the first publication of this Executive Order, within which to comply with the following requirements:”

Section 2. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 31st day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 77

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 508, S. OF 1992, "INSTITUTING THE LINGKOD BAYAN AWARD AS THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE."

WHEREAS, Executive Order No.508, S. of 1992 institutes the Lingkod Bayan Award for individuals or group of individuals in the government service who have rendered outstanding public service;

WHEREAS, the Lingkod Bayan Award is given, as stated in Executive Order No. 334, S. of 1988, to "government employees who have consistently displayed outstanding qualities that inspire other employees to improve the quantity of work performance and stimulate deeper involvement in governmental affairs";

WHEREAS, the correct legal basis of the Lingkod Bayan Award is Section 35, Book V of Executive Order No. 292, otherwise known as the Administrative Code of 1987 and not Section 6 of Republic Act No. 6713, otherwise known as the Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fidel V. Ramos, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Executive Order No 508, of 1992, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. The Lingkod Bayan Award shall be conferred by the President of the Philippines or the Executive Secretary, "By authority of the President", upon recommendation of the Special Committee on Awards created pursuant to Section 35, Book V of Executive Order No. 292, of the Administrative Code of 1987."

SECTION 2. Section 3 of Executive Order No. 508, S. of 1992, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. The Special Committee on Awards shall conduct a periodic, continuing review of the performance of public officials and employees in all branches and agencies of the government and establish a system of annual incentives and rewards to the end that due recognition is given to public officials and employees of outstanding merit on the basis of highly exceptional or extraordinary contributions resulting from an idea or performance whose effect is nationwide and principally affects the national interest, security and patrimony."

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 31st day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 78

MODIFYING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1976, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE MINIMUM NINETY PER CENTUM (90%) MARGIN OF PREFERENCE ON SOYA SAUCE POWDER AND BOUILLON/STOCKS INCLUDED IN THE NESTLE ASEAN INDUSTRIAL JOINT VENTURE (AIJV) PROJECTS, AS PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE III, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE REVISED BASIC AGREEMENT ON AIJV

WHEREAS, the Philippines is a Contracting Party to the Revised Basic Agreement on ASEAN Industrial Joint Ventures (BAAIJV) signed in Manila on 15 December 1987;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, along with Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand, is a participating country in the approved NESTLE ASEAN Industrial Joint Venture Projects;

WHEREAS, among the five NESTLE AIJV Projects, commercial production of soya sauce powder by the AIJV entity in Singapore has already started on 1 August 1992 while that of bouillon/stocks by the AIJV entity in Malaysia has started on 1 September 1992;

WHEREAS, the Revised BAAIJV provides that a minimum ninety per centum (90%) Margin of Preference (MOP) for the AIJV products shall be extended by all participating countries for the relevant AIJV Projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code, as amended, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in Annex "A" as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be accorded a minimum ninety per centum (90%) MOP as specified in column 7 of said Annex "A". In effect, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential Tariff for ASEAN in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article as specified in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11, of Annex "A".

SECTION 2. The MOP herein provided on soya sauce powder shall be accorded to the AIJV entity in Singapore effective up to 1 August 1996 while the MOP herein provided on bouillon/stocks shall be accorded the AIJV entity in Malaysia effective up to 1 September 1996. As provided under Article III, paragraphs 3(c) and (d) of the Revised BAAIJV, the participating countries shall waive their rights under Chapter II, Article 8 paragraph 2 of the ASEAN PTA for the first four (4) years in respect of entities which are not AIJVs but produce the same products within their countries. However, such entities in the participating countries which are not AIJVs but produce the same products shall enjoy the same MOP after the waiver period of four (4) years.

SECTION 3. The minimum ninety per centum (90%) MOP accorded under this Executive Order to the accredited AIJV entities in Singapore and Malaysia shall remain effective irrespective of any subsequent change in the basic Philippine rate of duty on the above-mentioned articles. However, pursuant to the decision of the 35th and Final Meeting of the ASEAN Committee on Industry, Minerals and Energy held in Manila on 16-18 July 1992, such grant of MOP shall be automatically

withdrawn should NESTLE fail to start commercial operation of said breakfast cereal AIJV Project in the Philippines by 31 December 1993.

SECTION 4. After the effectivity of this Executive Order, all the above-described articles entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as prescribed in the Agreement on ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements ratified on 1 August 1977.

SECTION 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counse

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 79

MODIFYING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE MINIMUM 50% MARGIN OF PREFERENCE ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE BRAND-TO-BRAND COMPLEMENTATION SCHEME IN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY UNDER THE BASIC AGREEMENT OF ASEAN INDUSTRIAL COMPLEMENTATION.

WHEREAS, the Philippines is a Contracting Party to the Basic Agreement on ASEAN Industrial Complementation (BAAIC) signed in Manila on 16 June 1981;

WHEREAS, the Philippines is a signatory to the Memorandum of Understanding on the Brand-to-Brand Complementation (BBC) Scheme in the Automotive Industry under the BAAIC signed by the ASEAN Economic Ministers in Pattaya, Thailand on 18 October 1988;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, along with Malaysia and Thailand, is a participating country in the approved BBC Schemes of MITSUBISHI Motor Corporation, NISSAN Motor Co., Ltd and TOYOTA Motor Corporation;

WHEREAS, at the Special Meeting of the Committee on Industry, Minerals and Energy (COIME) held in Jakarta, Indonesia on 24-25 October 1990, it was agreed that under the MITSUBISHI Motor Corporation BBC Scheme, the Philippines will import parts of manual transmission and final drive system and stamping body parts from Thailand in exchange for the country's exports of parts of manual transmission and final drive system to the said ASEAN country; that under the NISSAN Motor Co., Ltd. BBC Scheme, Philippines will import body metal parts and oil pan assembly from Malaysia and body metal parts from Thailand in exchange for the country's exports of body metal and injection parts to the said two countries; and that under the Toyota Motor Corp. BBC Scheme, the Philippines will import fuel tank, suspension system, steering link assembly, convenient and accessory equipment, and electrical parts from Malaysia and under body and electrical parts from Thailand in exchange for the country's exports of manual transmission to the said two countries;

WHEREAS, under the Memorandum of Understanding on the BBC Scheme in the Automotive Industry, the Philippines shall grant a minimum 50% Margin of Preference (MOP) to BBC products approved by COIME subject to the terms and conditions set out in Section 9 (b) of said memorandum;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order;

SECTION I. The Articles specifically listed in Annexes "A", "B", and "C" as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be accorded a minimum 50% Margin of Preference (MOP) as specified in column 11 thereof. Accordingly, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential Tariff for ASEAN in accordance with the schedule indicated in columns 12 to 16 of said Annexes "A", "B", and "C".

SECTION 2. The MOP provided in Annex "A" on parts of manual transmission and final drive system for Lancer (Models LA/LM/C) and Galant (Model H) passenger car and stamping body parts for Galant (Model H) passenger car under the MITSUBISHI Motor Corporation, BBC Scheme shall be accorded the BBC entity in Thailand effective up to 23 January 1995. Thereafter, this MOP may

be granted to a non-participating ASEAN country as soon as that country extends the same MOP itself. If the non-participating country does not wish to grant such MOP and maintains such position throughout the stipulated waiver period, the exclusive application of this MOP to Thailand shall then be extended up to 23 January 1999.

SECTION 3. The MOP provided in Annex “B” on body metal parts and oil pan assembly for Nissan Sentra (Model B13) passenger car under the NISSAN Motor Co., Ltd. BBC Scheme shall be accorded the BBC entity in Malaysia effective up to 23 January 1995. The MOP also herein provided on body metal parts for Nissan Sentra (Model B13) passenger car under the said BBC Scheme shall be accorded the BBC entity in Thailand effective up to 23 January 1995. Thereafter, this MOP may be granted to a non-participating ASEAN country as soon as that country extends the same MOP itself. If the non-participating country does not wish to grant such MOP and maintains such position throughout the stipulated waiver period, the exclusive application of this MOP to Malaysia and Thailand shall then be extended up to 23 January 1999.

SECTION 4. The MOP provided in Annex “C” on steering link assembly, convenient and accessory equipment, and suspension system for Corola (Models EE100, AE101) passenger car and on fuel tank, suspension system, steering link assembly and electrical parts for Liteace (Models KM36, CM36) commercial vehicle and on electrical parts for TUV (Models KF40, KF50) commercial vehicle under the Toyota Corp. BBC Scheme shall be accorded the BBC entity in Malaysia effective up to 23 January 1995. The MOP also herein provided on under body and electrical parts for Corolla (Models EE100, AE101) passenger car and electrical parts for TUV (Models KF40, KF50) commercial vehicle under the said BBC Scheme shall be accorded the BBC entity in Thailand effective up to 23 January 1995.

Thereafter, this MOP may be granted to a non-participating ASEAN country as soon as that country extends the same MOP itself. If the non-participating country does not wish to grant such MOP and maintains such position throughout the stipulated waiver period, the exclusive application of this MOP to Malaysia and Thailand shall then be extended up to 23 January 1999.

SECTION 5. Effective 24 January 1999, this MOP shall be extended to any entity in another ASEAN member country which produces the subject BBC products, whether the country is participating in these BBC schemes or not.

SECTION 6. The 50% MOP accorded under this Executive Order shall remain effective irrespective of any subsequent change in the basic Philippine rate of duty on the above-mentioned articles.

SECTION 7. After the effectivity of this Executive Order, all the above-mentioned articles entered or withdrawn from the warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as prescribed in the Agreement on ASEAN Preferential Trading Agreements ratified on 7 August 19

SECTION 8. Any revision/s to the part numbers appearing in column 4 of Annexes “A”, “B” and “C” shall be immediately communicated to the Philippine Government. The Department of Trade and Industry shall endorse the same to the Bureau of Customs within five (5) days after receipt of the official copy of the revised part numbers.

SECTION 9. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of April, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 80

AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CLARK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AS THE IMPLEMENTING ARM OF THE BASES CONVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE CLARK SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE, AND DIRECTING ALL HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the national leadership notes with deep concern the magnitude of the economic and social problems in Central Luzon, particularly in the City of Angeles, and the Municipalities of Mabalacat, Porac, Bamban and Capas, as a result of the Mt. Pinatubo eruptions and the withdrawal of the US Military Forces from Clark Air Base, and the need to address this immediate concern by way of providing employment and livelihood opportunities and resettlement and relocation sites;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Government to accelerate the sound and balanced conversion of the Clark military reservations and its contiguous extensions into alternative productive civilian uses to promote the economic and social development of Central Luzon in particular and the country in general.

WHEREAS, the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) is mandated by Republic Act No. 7227 (RA 7227), otherwise known as the “Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992”, to adopt, prepare and implement a comprehensive and detailed plan for the conversion of the Clark military reservations and its contiguous extensions consistent with the plans and programs of the national and local governments;

WHEREAS, it is envisioned that Clark will be converted into an international civil aviation complex, a modern industrial estate and tourism, trade and business center for Luzon and Asia;

WHEREAS, the national leadership is cognizant of the vital role of the private sector and the local government units in the Clark conversion program.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Creation of the Clark Development Corporation. – A body corporate to be known as the Clark Development Corporation (CDC) is hereby authorized to be formed as the operating and implementing arm of the BCDA to manage the Clark Special Economic Zone (CSEZ).

The CDC shall be a subsidiary corporation of the BCDA and shall be formed in accordance with the Philippine corporation law and existing rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 16 of RA 7227.

The CDC shall be subject to the policies, rules and regulations of the BCDA for the CSEZ.

Section 2. Powers and Functions of the Clark Development Corporation. – The BCDA, as the incorporator and holding company of its Clark subsidiary, shall determine the powers and functions of the CDC. Pursuant to Section 15 of RA 7227, the CDC shall have the specific powers of the Export Processing Zone Authority as provided for in Section 4 of Presidential Decree No. 66 (1972) as amended.

Section 3. **Board of Directors.** – The powers of the CDC shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors (Board) which shall be composed of eleven (11) members each of whom shall be a stockholder of the CDC. *Provided that*, the composition of the CDC Board is subject to the provisions of Section 16 of RA 7227.

The members of the Board representing the equity or capital stock in CDC of BCDA and other national government agencies shall be nominated by the President.

No person shall be nominated as a member of the Board representing national government capital stocks in CDC unless he is a Filipino citizen, of good moral character, and of recognized competence in relevant fields including but not limited to economics, management, international relations, law or engineering. Preference in the designation of the members of the Board shall be given to residents within the local government units that concur to join the CSEZ.

Section 4. **Capitalization.** – The capitalization of CDC shall be determined by its incorporators and holding company, the BCDA, which shall include the following:

- 4.1. Cash equity provided by the BCDA and other agencies and instrumentalities of government;
- 4.2. Portions of or all of the lands embraced and covered by the CSEZ, as well as permanent improvements and fixtures therein upon proper inventory; and
- 4.3. All other assets which the President may transfer to the CDC as part of the equity contribution of the Government.

Section 5. **Investments Climate in the CSEZ.** – Pursuant to Section 5(m) and Section 15 of RA 7227, the BCDA shall promulgate all necessary policies, rules and regulations governing the CSEZ, including investment incentives, in consultation with the local government units and pertinent government departments for implementation by the CDC.

Among others, the CSEZ shall have all the applicable incentives in the Subic Special Economic and Free Port Zone under RA 7227 and those applicable incentives granted in the Export Processing Zones, the Omnibus Investments Code of 1987, the Foreign Investments Act of 1991 and new investments laws which may hereinafter be enacted.

The CSEZ Main Zone covering the Clark Air Base proper shall have all the aforecited investment incentives, while the CSEZ Sub-Zone covering the rest of the CSEZ shall have limited incentives. The full incentives in the Clark SEZ Main Zone and the limited incentives in the Clark SEZ Sub-Zone shall be determined by the BCDA.

Section 6. **Local Autonomy.** – Except as herein provided, the affected local government units shall retain their basic autonomy and identity. Angeles City shall be governed by its charter and the Municipalities of Porac, Mabalacat, Bamban and Capas shall operate and function in accordance with Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991”. In case of conflict between the CDC and the local government units concerned on matters affecting the CSEZ other than defense and security, the decision of the CDC shall prevail.

Section 7. **Role of Departments, Bureaus, Offices, Agencies and Instrumentalities.** – All heads of departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the government are hereby directed to give full support to the Clark conversion program and to coordinate with the BCDA to facilitate the necessary approvals to expedite the implementation of the various projects of the conversion program.

Section 8. **Repealing Clause.** – All presidential issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 9. **Effectivity.** – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 3rd day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 81
PRESCRIBING ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS TO THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, both Houses of Congress have adopted Concurrent Resolution No. 5 (March 1993) concurring with Proclamation No. 10 (27 July 1992) as amended by Proclamation No. 10-A (28 July 1992) granting amnesty to those who have applied for amnesty under Executive Order No. 350 (1989) and whose applications have already been processed and are ready for final action as of 28 July 1992 and to those who applied up to 31 December 1992;

WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 19 dated 1 September 1992, a National Unification Commission was constituted and tasked to formulate and recommend a viable general amnesty plan to the President;

WHEREAS, there is a need to undertake measures to monitor the implementation of the said grant of amnesty;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

Section 1. The National Unification Commission shall exercise the following additional functions:

Undertake a physical inventory of the more than 4,000 applicants whose applications for amnesty, filed not later than 31 December 1992, have already been processed or are undergoing processing;

Determine the crimes for which the applicant voluntarily sought amnesty; and

Recommend to the President of the Philippines the qualified applicants to be granted amnesty.

Section 2. The National Unification Commission may create a Technical Committee to assist it in the performance of the foregoing functions.

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 82
ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL TRAINING CENTER
FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT (NTCTESD) IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the State to give priority to technical and vocational education and training;

WHEREAS, to carry out this policy, two projects were undertaken, namely:

- a. a technical and vocational education project under the DECS-ADB Loan Agreement in 1981; and
- b. The Philippines-Australia Technical and Vocational Education Project (PATVEP).

WHEREAS, the government agency tasked to implement these projects is the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS);

WHEREAS, it is necessary that to effectively implement these projects and pursuant to the provisions in the agreement with the foreign governments involved in the project, a National Training Center for Technical Education and Staff Development (NTCTESD) shall be established under the Department of Education, Culture and Sports;

WHEREAS, Section 2, Chapter 1, Title 6, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 mandates the Department of Education, Culture and Sports to be “primarily responsible for the formulation, planning, implementation and coordination of the policies, plans, programs, implementations and coordination of the policies, plans, programs and projects in the areas of formal and non-formal education at all levels”; and

WHEREAS, Section 3, Chapter 1, Title 6, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall have the powers and functions of formulating, planning, implementing and coordinating the policies, plans, programs and projects for non-formal and vocational or technical education as well as for foreign and locally assisted projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. *Creation of the Training Center.* – There shall be established a National Training Center for Technical Education and Staff Development (NTCTESD) which shall carry out the following objectives:

1. To upgrade Technical and Vocational education in the Philippines by effecting changes and accelerate improvement in staff development, curriculum revision for technicians, education facilities and research.
2. To develop and provide comprehensive in-service training programs for technological education at the graduate and post-graduate levels.

3. To upgrade in-service teacher education in curriculum development, instructional materials development, research and development in technical and vocational education and training, educational equipment development, production and maintenance.
4. To carry out and implement the following:
 - a. In-service Teacher Training programs (skills upgrading);
 - b. Management Training and other Staff Development courses;
 - c. Learning resources development; and
 - d. Short upgrading courses for administrators.

Section 2. *Site and Facilities.* – The Center shall be located and situated at the Marikina Institute of Science and Technology (“MIST”) at Marikina, Metro Manila. The facilities, premises and services of MIST shall be availed of by this Training Center, as may be directed by the Secretary of Education.

Section 3. *Training Center Management Committee.* The training Center shall have a governing body to be composed of

- (a) the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports, as Chairman;
- (b) the Director, BTVE;
- (c) a Regional Director from DECS to be designated by the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports; and
- (d) one representative from the industry to be appointed by the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports, as Members.

In the event that the Secretary cannot attend the meeting of the Committee, an Undersecretary shall be designated to represent him. The Committee can also require the attendance in any of its meetings and whenever necessary, of the following:

- a. Center Director, NTCTESD;
- b. Any Regional Director or official of DECS;
- c. Superintendent representative of TEI or SAT’s;
- d. G.O.P. Project Manager and/or Team Leader of any foreign-assisted project based at the Center; and
- e. Director of EDPITAF.

The Management Committee shall have the following powers and functions:

1. Formulate policies necessary for the attainment of the purposes and objectives of the Training Center and exercise all powers and functions to implement these policies;
2. Adopt and promulgate rules and regulations governing the Training Center;
3. Control over the disbursement of the Training Center’s budget and appropriation item, in accordance with law;
4. Approve short and long-term development programs and plans recommended by the Training Center Director, as well as working arrangements and/or linkages with TEI or SAT’s; and

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5. Exercise such powers and perform such functions as may be required under existing laws, rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of the Executive Order or as may be directed by the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports.

Section 4. *Center Director.* – The Center shall have a Director, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports and shall have the authority and responsibility to undertake the management and operation of the Center.

Section 5. *Technical and Staff Support.* – The Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall provide technical and staff support to the Training Center.

Section 6. *Funding.* – The funds necessary for the initial implementation of this Order shall be charged against the Contingent Fund authorized under Republic Act No. 7645, also known as the 1993 General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be included for the continued implementation of this Order shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 7. *Implementing Authority.* – The Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports shall promulgate such rules, regulations and other issuances as may be necessary to ensure the efficient and effective implementation of this Executive Order.

Section 8. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 15th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 83
CREATING A LARGE TAXPAYERS DIVISION IN THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7646 has authorized the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to prescribe the place of payment of internal revenue taxes by large taxpayers (LTs), amending for the purpose certain provisions of the National Internal Revenue Code, as amended;

WHEREAS, the enactment of said law is part of the Bureau of Internal Revenue's Five-Point Program of institutional strengthening of tax administration through the adoption of a system of monitoring and analyzing tax payments of LTs;

WHEREAS, the effective implementation of said law necessitates the creation of a unit within the Bureau specifically tasked to facilitate such monitoring, thus, ensuring immediate follow up of the collection of overdue accounts of said taxpayers and to statistically analyze the patterns of internal revenue tax payments of these taxpayers for purposes of further developing criteria for selective audit; and

WHEREAS, under Section 62 of Republic Act No. 7645, otherwise known as the General Appropriations Act of 1993, the President of the Philippines may direct the creation of an organizational unit in any department, bureau, office or agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. A Large Taxpayers Division is hereby created in the Bureau of Internal Revenue. It shall be composed of a Chief, an Assistant Chief and a sufficient number of personnel who shall perform assigned functions.

Section 2. Staffing Pattern. – The Large Taxpayers Division shall have the following staffing pattern:

<u>No of Positions</u>	<u>Position Title</u>	<u>Salary Grade</u>
1	Chief Revenue Officer IV	24
1	Chief Revenue Officer III	22
2	Revenue Officer IV	19
2	Revenue Officer III	16
7	Revenue Officer II	13
1	Statistician I	11
1	Economist I	11
2	Computer Operator II	9
1	Stenographer II	6
2	Clerk	4
1	Driver I	3
1	Messenger	2
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Section 3. Functions. - The Large Taxpayers Division shall have the following functions:

- (a) Monitor closely the compliance of LTs with filing and payment requirements;
Maintain a system of recording tax data that will provide basic information on non-filers and filers among the LTs and other related information;
Undertake necessary follow-ups to ensure immediate compliance by LTs identified as delayed filers and/or non-filers;
Consolidate, tabulate and analyze tax data on LTs and submit management reports on their revenue contribution in proportion to total revenue;
Refer LTs who are delinquent in complying with filing and/or payment requirements to the proper office for appropriate action; and
- (f) Recommend to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue any modification of the criteria for determining a Large Taxpayer.

Section 4. Funding. - The funds necessary for the initial implementation of this Order shall be charged against the Contingent Fund authorized under Republic Act No. 7645, also known as the 1993 General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be needed for the continued implementation of this Order shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 5. Repealing Clause. - All prior instructions, orders and other existing executive issuances or portions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby amended or modified accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect upon its approval.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 84
CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION TO FORMULATE
SHORT- AND LONG-TERM PLANS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TAGAYTAY CITY
AND ITS ADJACENT MUNICIPALITIES, AND THE TAAL VOLCANO ISLAND
AND ITS SURROUNDING COASTAL MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, the Medium Term Philippine Development Plan, 1993-1998 (MTPDP) as approved by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board, shall be the basis for all development activities to be undertaken by the government during said Plan period;

WHEREAS, an important component of the MTPDP is the National Tourism Master Plan of the Department of Tourism (DOT) which identifies the area covering Tagaytay City and its adjacent municipalities as a major destination for tourism in the Philippines, and its development, a key factor in the region's over-all development program;

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 7623, the Taal Volcano Island in Batangas and its surrounding coastal municipalities was declared a tourist zone under the joint jurisdiction of the DOT, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and the Municipalities of Laurel, Balete, Agoncillo, San Nicolas, and Talisay, Province of Batangas, and, as such, shall be accorded priority development by the said government agencies and local government units;

WHEREAS, aside from developing Tagaytay City and its environs and Taal Volcano Island as tourist destination, there is a need to simultaneously address the developmental concerns of the surrounding coastal and non-coastal municipalities on matters of environmental protection, poverty alleviation, local autonomy, eco-tourism and sustainable growth; and

WHEREAS, to enable the Government to undertake measures to conserve the natural resources and promote the accelerated socio-economic development of the area consistent with the concept of sustainable development, there is a need to create a body that shall formulate short- and long-term plans for the area covered herein as well as address certain policy, planning and implementation issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. There is hereby created under the Office of the President a Presidential Commission to be called the Tagaytay-Taal Commission for the development of Tagaytay City, its adjacent municipalities, and the Taal Volcano Island and its surrounding coastal municipalities, hereinafter referred to as the Commission, composed of the following:

Secretary of Tourism	Chairman
Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources	Vice-Chairman
Secretary of Transportation and Communications	Member
Secretary of Public Works and Highways	Member
Secretary of the Interior and Local Governments	- Member
Secretary of Trade and Industry	Member
Secretary of Agrarian Reform	Member

Secretary of Science and Technology	Member
Head, Presidential Management Staff	- Member
Governor of Batangas	Member
Governor of Cavite	Member
Mayors of the concerned Local Government Units	Members
The President, Development Academy of the Philippines	Member
The Administrator, Local Water Utilities Administration	Member

A representative each from the business, religious, land developers and agricultural sectors and from Non-Governmental Organizations shall serve as Consultants to the Commission.

The Development Academy of the Philippines shall initially serve as the Technical Secretariat of the Commission to be headed by an Executive Director. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the President.

Section 2. The Commission shall be an advisory body to the President and shall exercise the following functions and responsibilities:

- a. Formulate a Ten-Year Tagaytay-Taal Master Plan by November 30, 1993 and a Twenty-Year Integrated Master Plan for the whole area covering Tagaytay City and its adjacent non-coastal municipalities, and the Taal Volcano Island and its surrounding coastal municipalities by January 1, 1994, based on the following guidelines:
 - (1) Preservation of the area's natural beauty, protection of its ecological balance and enhancement of its environment;
 - Maximum enjoyment and easy access by ordinary people to public areas;
 - Rational land-use and zoning plan considering that Tagaytay City and Taal Volcano Island, in particular, are national assets, being tourist destinations of Filipinos from all parts of the country as well as foreign visitors;
 - Prohibition/control of unusually tall and unstable and obstructive structures obscuring public view of the natural beauty of the surroundings in accordance with the zoning ordinances of the local government units concerned and subject to the pertinent laws, rules and regulations on the matter;
 - Provision for improved and adequate service infrastructures such as power, water, communications and waste treatment facilities especially in the coastal and highland parts of the subject area;
 - Overall greening and reforestation to reduce the threat of soil erosion and damage to scarce marine resources;
 - Enhancement of agricultural productivity and local livelihood opportunities as an alternative to industrial employment; and
 - Provision for a viable peace and order plan

Both Plans shall include a Comprehensive Investment Program, Capability-Building Program for the affected local government units as well as the coordinated establishment of the following in the subject area:

- i. a nature center;
- ii. a people's center;

- iii. a conference and meeting center;
- iv. a flea market destination (vegetable/livelihood); and
- v. a tourist destination.

Both Plans shall be submitted to the President for approval.

- b. Assist the local government units concerned in undertaking various planning activities to develop short term and long term strategies for tourism development, environmental protection, attracting business, investment, social development, and institutional building, in line with the developmental guidelines stated above and to integrate all national and local plans relative to the development of the subject area;
- c. Adopt a process of maximum consultation with the local government units concerned and all interest groups in the localities to ensure that the residents' needs, concerns and ideas are considered in the formulation and implementation of the said plans, development guidelines and municipal ordinances;
- d. Study and review policy measures that shall promote and address the concerns on environmental protection, poverty alleviation, local autonomy, eco-tourism, and sustainable development, of the subject area;
- e. Recommend (i) legislation to conserve the natural resources and promote the accelerated socio-economic development of the area; (ii) zoning ordinances to the Sangguniang Panglungsod concerned in consonance with the Plans approved by the President, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations; (iii) the establishment of fire limits or zones, particularly in populous centers; and, (iv) the regulation of the construction, repair or modification of buildings within said fire limits or zones in accordance with the provisions of the Fire Code; and
- f. Recommend to the Sangguniang Panglungsod concerned such other ordinances and measures as may be necessary to attain the objectives of the Plans approved by the President.

Section 3. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 14, Book II of Executive Order No. 292 (1987), lands of the private domain of the Government located in the subject area, the use of which is not otherwise directed by law, are hereby reserved from lease, sale or other disposition. Such reserved lands shall be used for developmental purposes in accordance with the Plans approved by the President.

Section 4. The heads of the local government units concerned are hereby directed to strictly enforce their respective zoning ordinances, particularly those prescribing height limitations, in the construction of buildings in the area covered herein.

Section 5. The Commission may call upon any government agency, office or bureau for assistance in the discharge of, and form committees to facilitate the performance of, its functions and responsibilities.

Section 6. The Commission shall submit monthly reports of its activities to the Office of the President.

Section 7. The amount of Five Million Pesos (P5,000,000), to be drawn equally from the President's Contingent Fund and funds of the DOT, shall be released for the operations of the Commission for 1993. Appropriations for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposals under the Office of the President.

Section 8. All executive issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

Section 9. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 85
ESTABLISHING THE COORDINATIVE AND MANAGEMENT MECHANISM
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CAGAYAN DE ORO-ILIGAN CORRIDOR
SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, it is the policy of government to promote the dispersal of industries in order to balance the growth of the different regions of the country and to harness the vast potential of the countryside;

WHEREAS, the development of the Cagayan de Oro-Iligan Corridor (CIC) into a major growth area is supportive of this policy and concern for accelerated socio-economic growth and development of Mindanao;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority Board has approved in principle the Cagayan de Oro-Iligan Corridor Master Plan on 8 September 1992;

WHEREAS, there is a need for an effective mechanism to coordinate and manage the implementation of the CIC Master Plan, within the framework of the government's decentralization and regionalization policy as provided under Executive Order No. 363 and the overall coordinative mechanism for the development of Mindanao as provided under Executive Order No. 512 and Executive Order No. 7.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SEC. 1. Cagayan de Oro-Iligan Corridor Special Development Project. The Cagayan de Oro-Iligan Corridor Master Plan is hereby translated as the Cagayan de Oro-Iligan Corridor Special Development Project (CICSDP) for its implementation. The CICSDP shall articulate the development goals, objectives, strategies, programs and projects of the Cagayan de Oro-Iligan Corridor Master Plan and its subsequent refinement and updating.

SEC. 2. Project Steering Committee. The Project Steering Committee shall be responsible for the overall coordination and supervision of the implementation of the CICSDP. It shall coordinate with the Mindanao Economic Development Council (MEDCO) in harmonizing policies, programs, and projects within the CICSDP which have Mindanao-wide impact. It shall be composed of the following members, who shall elect among themselves their Chairman and Co-Chairman:

The Provincial Governor of Lanao del Norte
The Provincial Governor of Misamis Oriental
The City Mayor of Cagayan de Oro
The City Mayor of Iligan City
The DTI Regional Directors, Regions X and XII
The NEDA Regional Directors, Regions X and XII

The Representative of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Cagayan de Oro City and Iligan City
 One NGO representative each, Cagayan de Oro/Misamis Oriental and Iligan City/Lanao del Norte
 The Representative of Regional Line Agencies involved in the Project

The Project Steering Committee shall have the following functions:

- Cause the update, refinement, and endorsement of the CIC Master Plan within the context of the Medium-Term Philippine Development Plan, Mindanao Development Plan, Regional Development Plans of Regions X and XII, and the Local Development Plans of the local government units (LGUs) covered by CICSDP;
- Cause the formulation of the CICSDP based on the development goals, objectives, strategies, programs and projects of the CIC Master Plan and its subsequent refinement and updating;
- (c) Cause the feasibility study, evaluation, and financing of the project components of the CICSDP;
 - Provide overall direction, coordination, and supervision in the planning, implementation, and monitoring of the CICSDP;
 - Encourage the support and assistance from government and non-government institutions in planning and implementing the CICSDP;
 - Represent the CICSDP in national and international fora relevant to the financing and implementation of the CICSDP;
- (g) Review and endorse to the Department of Budget and Management the annual budget for the CICSDP, including the amount required for the operation of the CICSDP Project Management Office;
- (h) Organize the Project Management Office, define its organizational set-up, establish its staffing pattern, and appoint its Project Director;
- (i) Review and confirm contracts entered into by the Project Director;
- (j) Formulate implementing rules and regulations pertaining to the internal operations of the Project Management Office; and
 - Submit to the President, the MEDCO, and the NEDA Board, and Congress quarterly progress reports on the Project and such other reports as may be required.

SEC. 3. Project Management Office. The Project Management Office shall serve as the technical and administrative secretariat of the Project Steering Committee and, as such, undertake the day-to-day activities of the CICSDP. It shall perform the following functions:

- (a) Coordinate with local government units, line agencies, financing institutions, non-government organizations, and other concerned entities in the updating, refinement, endorsement, and implementation of the CIC Master Plan;
 - Coordinate the formulation and updating of the CICSDP based on the development goals, objectives, strategies, programs, and projects of the CIC Master Plan and its subsequent updating and refinement;
- (c) Coordinate the preparation of feasibility studies of the project components of the CICSDP and the evaluation and financing of feasible projects;

- (d) Coordinate the preparation of the annual budgetary requirements of the CICSDP and submit the same to the Project Steering Committee;
- (e) Enter into contracts, through its Project Director, as may be necessary for the administrative operations of the CICSDP subject to existing laws, rules and regulations;
- (f) Undertake periodic review and evaluation of the CICSDP and shall, for the purpose, design and operate a program implementation, monitoring and evaluation system consistent with the Regional Project Monitoring and Evaluation System (RPMES); and
- (g) Perform such other functions and responsibilities as the Project Board may direct.

SEC. 4. Project Champions. The Secretary of Trade and Industry, and the respective Cabinet Officer for Regional Development (CORD) of Regions X and XII, in concurrent capacity, are hereby designated as Project Champions. They shall serve as the NEDA Board focal persons in matters pertaining to the CICSDP. As such, they shall have the following functions:

- Ensure that the development goals, policies, and programs formulated by the Project Steering Committee are properly coordinated with the overall national goals, policies, and programs;
- (b) Maintain liaison with central offices and, as necessary, arrange the needed support for the project from central agencies, including funding agencies;
Monitor and conduct periodic review of the CIC Master Plan with respect to the attainment of targets, objectives, priorities, and goals, and facilitate expeditious implementation of its project components;
Provide national leadership in the investment promotion of the Cagayan de Oro-Iligan Corridor;
Act on problems referred to it by the Project Steering Committee on matters requiring national government attention; and
Perform such other functions as the President may direct.

The Project Champions shall work out among themselves the delineation of their responsibilities and consult the following persons and other agencies, as the need arises, on matters related to the CICSDP and within their respective areas of responsibility and jurisdiction:

The Director-General, National Economic and Development Authority
 The Secretary, Department of Budget and Management
 The Secretary, Department of Agrarian Reform
 The Secretary, Department of Agriculture
 The Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment
 The Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources
 The Secretary, Department of Science and Technology
 The Secretary, Department of Interior and Local Government
 The Secretary, Department of National Defense
 The Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways
 The Secretary, Department of Transportation and Communications
 The Secretary, Department of Tourism
 The Mindanao Representative of the Board of Directors, National Power Corporation
 The Chairman, Coordinating Council for the Philippine Assistance Program

The Chairman, Mindanao Economic Development Council
The Congressman of Misamis Oriental, District I
The Congressman of Misamis Oriental, District II
The Congressman of Lanao del Norte and Iligan City, District I
The Congressman of Lanao del Norte, District II
The Congressman of Cagayan de Oro City

SEC. 5. Role of the Regional/Local Development Councils. The Regional Development Councils and the Local Development Councils of the project area shall perform the following powers and functions:

- a) Ensure that the development thrusts and policies formulated by the Project Steering Committee are consistent with the Regional/Local Development Plans;
- (b) Approve the respective regional/local components of the multi-year and annual plans and investment programs under the CICSDP; and
- (c) Monitor and conduct periodic review of the regional/local project component with respect to achievement of goals, objectives and targets of the CICSDP.

SEC. 6. Role of National Line Agencies/Local Government Units. National line agencies and/or local government units shall, as appropriate, serve as implementing entities of the CICSDP. In cases where national line agencies are designated as lead implementing entity, implementation shall be undertaken in close coordination with concerned local government units.

SEC. 7. Operational Requirements. In order to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order, the 1993 funding requirements of the Project Management Office (PMO) shall be sourced by the Project Steering Committee from any appropriate ODA technical assistance program and/or from contributions from the concerned local government units and participating line agencies. Thereafter, the NEDA and DBM will assist in the identification of the appropriate funding source for the continued operations of the PMO.

SEC. 8. CICSDP Project Management Office Term. The CICSDP Project Management Office shall have a term corresponding to the implementation of its components as approved by the NEDA Board.

SEC. 9. Implementing Authority. The Project Steering Committee is hereby authorized to promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order and inform accordingly the NEDA Board.

SEC. 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 5th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 86
FIXING THE RATE OF RETURN ON RATE BASE OF THE NATIONAL POWER
CORPORATION AT TWELVE PERCENT OF THE RATE BASE AS DEFINED
IN SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6395, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, as enunciated in Republic Act No. 7648, otherwise known as the Electric Power Crises Act of 1993, it is the “declared policy of the State to adopt adequate and effective measures to address the electric power crisis that has disrupted the country’s economic and social life and assumed the nature and magnitude of a public calamity”;

WHEREAS, the same law provides, among others, that in pursuance of the said policy, the President is “authorized, whenever it is necessary for the national welfare and in the public interest, to fix the rate of return on rate base of the National Power Corporation (NAPOCOR) to not more than twelve *percentum* (12%) of the rate base as defined in Section 4 of Republic Act No. 6395, as amended”; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Energy has recommended that, considering the gravity of the current electric power crisis, it is necessary for the national welfare and in the public interest that the rate of return on rate base of the NAPOCOR be adjusted from ten percent (10%) to twelve percent (12%) of the rate base.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby fix the rate of return on rate base of the National Power Corporation from ten percent (10%) to twelve percent (12%) of the rate base as defined in Section 4 of Republic Act No. 6395, as amended.

This Order shall take effect the day following its complete publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 5th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 87

**TRANSFERRING THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT-PROJECT
MANAGEMENT OFFICE (TEAM-PMO) FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND COMMUNICATION TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

WHEREAS, the TEAM-PMO was originally under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways by virtue of Loan Agreements between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, on the one hand, and the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund (OECF) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), on the other hand;

WHEREAS, the TEAM-PMO is presently attached to the Department of Transportation and Communications as a result of a Memorandum of Agreement dated 16 April 1990 between the Department of Transportation and Communications and the Department of Public Works and Highways;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the transfer of the TEAM-PMO from the Department of Transportation and Communications to the Office of the President in order for the TEAM-PMO to effectively discharge its functions; and

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 grants the President of the Philippines the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President by, among others, transferring any agency or function of any executive department to the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the transfer of the Traffic Engineering and Management-Project Management Office from the Department of Transportation and Communications to the Office of the President.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 6th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 88

**AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 81 DATED 12 APRIL 1993 AND TRANSFERRING
THE FUNCTIONS PROVIDED THEREIN TO THE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL FROM THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 81 dated 12 April 1993 prescribed additional functions to the National Unification Commission (NUC) in response to the recommendation of both Houses of Congress as embodied in its Concurrent Resolution No. 05 adopted in March 1993 to put into effect the mechanics of the President's grant of amnesty under Proclamation No. 10, as amended by Proclamation No. 10-A, both issued in July 1992;

WHEREAS, the additional tasks provided in Executive Order No. 81 may be beyond the logistical and technical capabilities of the NUC and may seriously distract from its primary function of formulating recommendations for a peace process;

WHEREAS, the National Reconciliation and Development Council (NRDC) was created by virtue of Executive Order No. 103 dated 24 December 1986 to coordinate the National Reconciliation and Development Program (NRDP) of the Government; and

WHEREAS, the Presidential grant of amnesty is an important component of the NRDP and its implementation fully within the mandate of the NRDC.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

Section 1. The following functions are hereby transferred to the National Reconciliation and Development Council from the National Unification Commission:

- a. Undertake a physical inventory of the more than 4,000 applicants whose applications for amnesty, filed not later than 31 December 1992, have already been processed or are undergoing processing;
- b. Determine the crimes for which the applicant voluntarily sought amnesty; and
- c. Recommend to the President the qualified applicants to be granted amnesty.

Section 2. The NRDC may create a Technical Committee to assist it in the performance of the foregoing functions.

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 89
DIRECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A POLICY OF ACCESSIBILITY AND
TRANSPARENCY IN GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, in consultations conducted by the National Unification Commission (NUC), various sectors of Philippine society have expressed concern over the inaccessibility of Government as a result of too much red tape in the bureaucracy;

WHEREAS, addressing this concern will increase the confidence of these sectors in Government's sincerity and capability to address their needs, as well as enhance the credibility of the ongoing consultations being conducted by the NUC with various sectors of society;

WHEREAS, perceived or actual Government inaccessibility consists mainly in the difficulty in obtaining access to public records, information and data, and in transacting other business with Government offices;

WHEREAS, Section 7, Article III of the Constitution recognizes the sacred right of people to information on matters of public concern, and to have access to official records and to documents, and papers pertaining to official acts, transactions or decisions, subject to such limitations as may be provided by law;

WHEREAS, under Section 28, Article II of the Constitution, "the State adopts and implements a policy of full public disclosure of all its transactions involving public interest";

WHEREAS, Section 4(e) of Republic Act 6713, otherwise known as the Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees, requires public officials and employees to "provide information on their policies and procedures in clear and understandable language"; and

WHEREAS, existing mechanisms in the bureaucracy do not guarantee that processes are carried out well, and there is a need to provide for a manner by which the relevant provisions of the Constitution and the law may actually be given effect by way of a simplified procedure in obtaining public records, information and data, and in transacting other business with Government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the laws, do hereby order as follows:

Section 1. All heads of the executive departments, bureaus, instrumentalities, offices, and agencies of Government, as well as government-owned and controlled corporations, shall implement a policy and accessibility and transparency in accordance with the guidelines herein provided.

Section 2. All heads of executive departments, bureaus, instrumentalities, offices, and agencies of Government, as well as government-owned and controlled corporations, are required, one (1) month from the effectivity of this Executive Order, to submit to the Office of the President the guidelines governing procedures for obtaining access by the public to official records, and to documents, and papers pertaining to official acts, transactions or decisions, as well as to Government research data used as a basis for policy development in their respective offices, subject to such limitations as may be provided by law or by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, such as, among others, those pertaining to national security and the defense of the State.

Section 3. All heads of offices referred to in the immediately preceding section are directed to post in conspicuous places within the premises of their respective offices the procedures for all public transactions or official business, including the procedure by which an aggrieved party may seek administrative redress for any violation of the aforementioned procedures, in the form of flow-charts, using clear and understandable language in Pilipino and the dialect predominantly spoken in the locality.

Section 4. Expenses incurred in compliance with this Executive Order shall be taken from the Contingent Funds of the respective offices.

Section 5 This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 18th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 90

REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF TAXABLE IMPORTED MOTOR VEHICLES WITH YEAR MODELS 1988 TO 1992 TO OBTAIN CLEARANCES FROM THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS AND BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE AS A PRECONDITION TO THE RENEWAL OF THEIR REGISTRATION WITH THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE

WHEREAS, save those exempted by law, imported motor vehicles are subject to the payment of excise tax, value added tax, and other taxes, duties and fees under the National Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and the Customs and Tariff Code, as amended;

WHEREAS, it has been established that an undetermined number of taxable imported motor vehicles have been registered with the Land Transportation Office notwithstanding the non-payment of the required taxes, duties and fees collectible thereon, resulting in substantial loss of revenues due the government; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for the Bureau of Customs, Bureau of Internal Revenue and the Land Transportation Office to pursue a joint plan of action to collect the unpaid taxes, duties and fees due on taxable imported motor vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. This Order applies to all taxable imported motor vehicles with year models 1988 to 1992.

Section 2. The Land Transportation Office shall not allow the renewal of the registration of any taxable imported motor vehicle covered by this Order, unless the appropriate clearances are issued by the Bureau of Customs and Bureau of Internal Revenue certifying that the required taxes, duties and fees thereon have been previously paid, or subsequently satisfied in accordance with this Order.

Section 3. The Bureau of Customs and the Bureau of Internal Revenue shall adopt a uniform compromise payment schedule which shall fix the compromise amounts to be paid by the registered owners of taxable imported motor vehicles subject of this Order, in lieu of the taxes, duties and fees collectible thereon under the aforementioned Codes, which schedule shall be promulgated through a Department Order to be issued by the Secretary of Finance.

Section 4. The requirement to obtain the appropriate clearances from the Bureau of Customs and the Bureau of Internal Revenue shall be a one-time requirement, such that the owner of a taxable imported motor vehicle which has already been cleared pursuant to this Order shall no longer be required to obtain clearances for succeeding renewals of registration with the Land Transportation Office.

Section 5. The Department of Finance and/or the Land Transportation Office shall issue the appropriate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Order.

Section 6. This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 19th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 91
AMENDING SECTION 2 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 73 1993)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 73 (1993), the Presidential Iron and Steel Committee under the Office of the President was created; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to expand the composition of the Committee by designating another government representative and by appointing another member of the private sector to broaden the Committee representation of the various sectors involved in the iron and steel industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Section 2 of Executive Order No. 73 (993 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 2. *Composition.* The Committee shall be composed of the following:

Secretary of Trade and Industry	Chairman
Director-General National Economic and Development Authority	- Vice-Chairman
Secretary of Finance	- Member
Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources	- Member
Secretary of Science and Technology	- Member
Secretary of Energy	- Member
Five (5) representatives from the Private Sector to be appointed by the President of the Philippines, two (2) of whom shall be the President of the Philippine Iron and Steel Institute, and the Chairman of the National Steel Corporation	Members

Membership in the Committee of the foregoing cabinet members shall be in an *ex-officio* capacity.”

Section 2. All executive issuances, rules and regulations or portions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 21st day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 92
PROVIDING SPECIFIC PERIODS FOR THE REVIEW BY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
COUNCILS OF INFRASTRUCTURES AND OTHER SECTORAL PROGRAMS
AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 2 SUBPARAGRAPH B(V) OF
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 308 (1987), AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, there is a need to expedite the formulation and implementation of infrastructure and sectoral programs to effectively respond to the growing demand for infrastructure and social services in the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Section 2 subparagraph b(v) of Executive Order No. 308 (1987), as amended by Executive Order No. 505 (1991), is hereby amended further to read as follows:

“b. Functions of the Council. The Council shall have the following functions:

x x x

(v) Review and approve the annual and multi-year regional infrastructure and other sectoral programs, including LGU-proposed programs for national funding, which require appropriation of national government funds.

The Council shall complete its review and forward its recommendation/s within sixty (60) days from the submission of the infrastructure or sectoral program to the Council. For programs already submitted and pending before it, the Council shall complete its review and forward its recommendation/s within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Executive Order.

Proponent agencies shall coordinate with the Council at the early stage of project development, preferably at the identification or feasibility study (F/S) preparation stage, and shall have made available the necessary requirements requested by the Council by the time the program is submitted for review.

Failure of the Council to submit its recommendations within the periods aforesated shall be deemed equivalent to an approval of the particular infrastructure or sectoral program.”

Section 2. The Council, or its counterpart, in the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) and in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) are strongly urged to adopt the foregoing procedure.

Section 3. All executive issuances, rules and regulations or portions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

Section 4. The NEDA Board is hereby authorized to promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order.

Section 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 31st day of May 1993, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 93
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 376 (SERIES OF 1989)
“ESTABLISHING THE REGIONAL PROJECT MONITORING AND
EVALUATION SYSTEM (RPMES)” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, there is a need to further delineate and streamline the specific roles and responsibilities of and operating procedures to be observed by the Project Monitoring Committees at the regional, provincial and municipal levels in view of the implementation of the Local Government Code of 1991;

WHEREAS, there is a need to expand the membership of Project Monitoring Committees in the national, regional, provincial, city and municipal levels to promote greater non-governmental organization (NGO) participation in and transparency of government programs; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish a Project Monitoring Committee at the national level to address and coordinate various RPMES matters, to act on implementation issues and problems and to orchestrate RPMES activities and concerns in the regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The third and fourth paragraphs of Section of Executive Order No. 376 (hereinafter referred to as “Order” are hereby amended to read as follows.

“At the regional level, the projects to be monitored shall include all foreign assisted projects (loan or grant funded), inter-provincial projects, area development projects, nationally-funded projects, and other projects considered critical by the Office of the President and the Regional Development Councils/Planning Boards, which are implemented in the region.

“At the provincial, city and municipal levels, the scope of monitoring shall include all foreign and nationally-funded projects, including development projects funded from the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) share of LGUs or supported by funds released directly to the province/city/municipality, and projects funded from locally-generated resources, which are implemented within their respective areas.”

Section 2. Sec. of said October is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 3. Organization. The RPMES shall be implemented by the development councils/ planning boards at the various levels (RDC, PDC, CDC and MDC). A Regional Project Monitoring Committee (RPMC) shall be established under the RDC in addition to the Project Monitoring Committees (PMCs) created through Memorandum Order No. 175, as amended, and/or the Local Government Code of 1991. At the national level, a National Project Monitoring Committee (NPMC) shall be established to oversee implementation of the RPMES, with NEDA serving as its Secretariat.

“The Presidential Management Staff (PMS) shall, corollary to the efforts of the RPMCs, focus on monitoring the President’s commitments in the various regions.

“The extensive participation of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and People’s Organizations (POs) as project monitors shall be advocated at all levels, NGO/PO membership in the provincial, city and municipal levels shall include, but not be limited to, representatives from civic and/or religious groups.

“At the national level, designated officials from the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and PMS/OP shall compose the NPMC, with the NEDA and DBM representatives as Chairman and Co-Chairman, respectively.

“At the regional level, the NEDA and DBM Regional Directors shall act as Chairman and Co-Chairman, respectively, of the RPMC. The other members of the RPMC shall be the DILG, PMS/OP and three (3) NGO/OP representatives, at least one (1) of whom shall be drawn from the NGO representatives in the Regional Development Council (RDC). The NEDA Regional Office shall serve as the Secretariat of the RPMC.

“The PMCs created at the provincial, city, and municipal levels will have, as mandatory members, the DILG official assigned in the locality and two (2) NGO/OP representatives. The other four members of the PMC shall be appointed by the Local Chief Executive from among five nominees of the Local Development Council. The Chairman shall be appointed by the Local Chief Executive from among the PMC members. The respective planning and development offices of the local government units. (LGUs) concerned shall serve as Secretariat to the Local PMCs.”

Section 3. The subtitle “Development Councils (RDC, PDC, CDC, MDC)” under Sec. 4 of said Order, is hereby reworded to read “Development Councils/Planning Boards (RDC, PDC, CDC, MDC).”

Section 4. Sec. 7 of said Order is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section. 7. Funding. Funds needed to implement the RPMES, particularly the initial operations of the NPMC shall be made available from sources to be recommended by the DBM, with the approval of the President. Subsequent funding requirements of the RPMES at the national level shall be provided in the General Appropriations Act by the DBM. The funds for RPMES operations at the national level shall be administered by the NEDA Secretariat.

“The funding requirements of the RPMES at the regional, city and municipal levels, which shall include the granting of financial incentives to NGO monitors as well as training, capability-building and other administrative costs, shall be provided in the General Appropriations Act under the Regional Development Fund. The funds for RPMES at these levels shall be administered by the RDCs concerned. As the RPMC may deem essential, portions of the Regional Development Fund for monitoring and evaluation may be allotted to a local PMC to augment its budget.”

Section 5. The responsibilities of the Office of the Cabinet Secretary as provided under Sec. 4 of said Order is hereby transferred to and shall be assumed by the Presidential Management Staff (PMS).

Section 6. The National Project Monitoring Committee (NPMC) is hereby authorized, from time to time, to update and make revisions to the Manual of Operations implementing the RPMES.

Section 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 94
REDUCING THE IMPORT DUTY ON CEMENT AND CEMENT CLINKER
UNDER SECTION 104 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978

WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 2 as amended by Executive Order No. 5 series of 1992, cement and cement clinker have a rate of import duty of zero percent (0%) until June 30, 1993;

WHEREAS, upon expiration of the said Executive Orders, the subject articles will be subject to rates of duty of 20% and 10%, respectively, under Executive Order No. 470, s. 1992; and

WHEREAS, in view of the uncertainty in the power supply situation, the continued importation of the subject articles is imperative to avert a possible shortage in the local supply that may otherwise result in the spiralling of the prices thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code, do hereby order:

Section 1. The following articles under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code, as amended, shall have a reduced rate of import duty effective 1 July 1993 and until 30 June 1994 and thereafter, the rates of import duty shall be as provided under Executive Order No. 470, to wit:

Hdg.	Harmonized System	Description	Rate of Duty
No.	Code		Until
			June 30, 1994
25.23		Portland Cement, aluminous cement ("ciment fondu"), slag cement and similar hydraulic cements, whether or not coloured or in the form of clinkers.	
	2523.10	- Cement clinkers	
	2523.10 10	- Cement clinker other than for white cement	3%
	2523.10 90	- x x x	
		- Portland Cement	
	2523.21 00	- x x x	
	2523.29 00	- Other	5%
	2523.30 00	- x x x	
	2523.90	- x x x	
	2523.90 10	- x x x	
	2523.90 90	- x x x	

Section 2. Upon effectivity of this Executive Order, the above articles which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the above indicated duty.

Section 3. All executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 95
DESIGNATING THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
AS THE LEAD GOVERNMENT AGENCY ON COOPERATIVE PROMOTION,
DEVELOPMENT, REGULATION AND CALLING ON ALL GOVERNMENT
AGENCIES WITH COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS TO COORDINATE THESE WITH THE
COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA), created under Republic Act No. 6939, is mandated to promote the viability and growth of cooperatives as instruments of equity, social justice, and economic development;

WHEREAS, the CDA is empowered to adopt, and formulate integrated and comprehensive plans and programs on cooperative development in line with the national cooperative development plan;

WHEREAS, all instrumentalities, branches, subdivisions and agencies of government are called upon to provide technical and financial assistance to cooperatives;

WHEREAS, it is recognized that such programs adopted by the different government agencies, if not integrated and united both in purpose and beneficiaries, may lead to the structural collapse of the sector;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by the powers vested in me, do hereby order and mandate:

- 1) The Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) shall be the lead government agency in the promotion, development, and regulation of cooperatives, of whatever type and nature throughout the Philippines
- 2) All government branches, instrumentalities, subdivisions and agencies with programs and projects concerning cooperatives to coordinate such programs and projects with the CDA with a view to providing a comprehensive technical and financial program for cooperatives, through the creation of a National Coordinating Committee chaired by the CDA.
- 3) In order to provide the cooperative movement a system for consultation with regard to such cooperative programs and projects; COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS at the national, regional, provincial and city levels shall be established under the coordination of the CDA.
- 4) The CDA shall formulate and implement the mechanism and guidelines in pursuance of the above-stated functions.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 8th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 96
**IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS ON COOPERATIVE PROMOTIONS,
ORGANIZATION, DEVELOPMENT AND SUPERVISION BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS**

WHEREAS, under Section 15, Article XII of the 1987 Constitution, “the Congress shall create an agency to promote the viability and growth of cooperatives as instruments for social justice and economic development;”

WHEREAS, under Article 2 of Republic Act No. 6938, otherwise known as the Cooperative Code of the Philippines, “it is the declared policy of the State to foster the creation and growth of cooperatives as a practical vehicle for promoting self-reliance and harnessing people power towards the attainment of economic development and social justice;”

WHEREAS, the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) was created by virtue of the enactment of Republic Act No. 6939 with the power to register and regulate cooperatives and to adopt and implement national development plans for cooperative development;

WHEREAS, the provisions and function for the delivery of basic services to the people have been transferred to the local government units through Section 17 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the Cooperative Development Authority hereby promulgates the following implementing rules and regulations:

SECTION 1. Scope. - These Rules and Regulations shall pertain to the functions and powers of the various local government units in relation to cooperatives operating within their area of jurisdiction.

SEC. 2. Statement of Policy. - The local government units shall contribute to the development of cooperatives in their respective areas in accordance with the state policies on cooperatives prescribed in R.A. No. 6936 and R.A. No. 6939, and such cooperative development shall be coordinated by the CDA.

SEC. 3. State Policies on Cooperative Development. - Local government units shall adhere to the following policies of the State on cooperative development:

- (a) The role of the State in cooperative development is promotion; the aim of cooperative promotion is the viability and growth of cooperatives as instruments of equity, social justice and economic development.
 - (b) The State recognizes cooperatives as autonomous associations organized for the economic and social betterment of their members based on self-reliance and self-management.
 - (c) The National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) shall include the growth and expansion of cooperatives as a major and indispensable component of national development plans. All departments, branches, subdivisions and instrumentalities of the Government shall promote the formation of cooperatives under their respective programs by providing them with appropriate and suitable incentives.
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- (d) The State recognizes the cooperative sector as primarily responsible for the institutional development of cooperatives. Accordingly, the State recognizes the rights of the cooperative sector to initiate and foster within its own ranks cooperative promotion, organization, training, information gathering, audit and support services, with government assistance where necessary.
 - (e) Government assistance to cooperatives shall be free from any restriction and conditionality that may in any manner infringe upon the objectives and character of cooperatives as provided in the Cooperative Code. The State shall, except as provided in the Cooperative Code, maintain the policy of non-interference in the management and operation of cooperatives.

SEC. 4. Functions of the Local Government Units. - The local government units, through the local chief executives, shall perform the following powers and functions in cooperative promotions, organization, regulation and development:

- (a) Appoint the local cooperative officer, at the discretion of the local chief executive, in accordance with Section 487, Article 17, Title Five, Book III of the Local Government Code;
- (b) Assist in the promotion and organization of cooperatives within their areas of jurisdiction with the assistance of other established cooperatives;
- (c) Assist the CDA's Cooperative Development Specialist in the evaluation of any proposed cooperative's economic survey, and requirements for registration, and recommend its registration or non-registration;
- (d) Assist in the following regulatory powers of the CDA:
 - 1) Collection of annual reports and audited financial statements of cooperatives;
 - 2) Mediation and conciliation of disputes between members of a cooperative operating within their area of jurisdiction;
 - 3) Conduct preliminary investigation through a committee jointly created by the CDA and the local chief executive for violation of any provision of the Cooperative Code, R.A. No. 6939 and the Implementing Rules and Regulations, and recommend the termination of its operation and cancellation of the certificate of registration; and
 - 4) Monitor the compliance of cooperatives with the rules, regulations, and other issuances of the CDA including those reached through mediation and conciliation conferences and as a result of decisions of the CDA.
- (e) Initiate and implement a program for cooperative promotion and development in line with the national development plan on cooperatives within their jurisdiction;
- (f) Provide such information as required by the CDA as part of the research projects undertaken by the CDA.

SEC. 5. Functions of the CDA. - The functions of the CDA shall be those set forth in the cooperative laws, and in particular, with those set forth in the cooperative laws, and in particular, with those of the local government units:

- (a) Conduct seminars and workshops for the training of local government officials and cooperative promotion, organization and development;

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- (b) Develop such operating and training manuals as are necessary for cooperative promotion, organization and development as are required by the various local government units;
 - (c) Provide information to the local government units on the policies and standards that have been formulated by the CDA concerning cooperatives;
 - (d) Assist the local government units in the development of cooperatives in their locality;
 - (e) Provide the local government units with updated lists of cooperatives operating within their jurisdiction; and
 - (f) Coordinate the efforts of the private cooperative sector and the local government units for more effective and systematic cooperation between them.

SEC. 6. Memoranda of Agreement. - The CDA, through its Extension Offices, and the LGU, upon request, may enter into Memoranda of Agreement with individual local government units to fully implement these rules and regulations and for other purposes not inconsistent with either the Cooperative Code or the Local Government Code. The secondment of any CDA employee to a local government unit may be done in accordance with existing policies and rules and regulations of the Civil Service Commission and the Commission on Audit.

Approved by the CDA Board of Administrators, Quezon City, Philippines, January 12, 1993.

Approved by the Oversight Committee, Manila, Philippines, March 31, 1993.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 97
CLARIFYING THE TAX AND DUTY FREE INCENTIVE WITHIN THE SUBIC SPECIAL
ECONOMIC ZONE PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7227 (1992)

WHEREAS, within the framework and subject to the mandate and limitations of the Constitution and pertinent laws, the Subic Special Economic Zone (SSEZ) shall be developed into a self-sustaining, industrial, commercial, financial and investment center to generate employment opportunities and to attract and promote productive foreign investments.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. **On Import Taxes and Duties.** - Tax and duty-free importations shall apply only to raw materials, capital goods and equipment brought in by business enterprises into the SSEZ. Except for these items, importations of other goods into the SSEZ, whether by business enterprises or resident individuals, are subject to taxes and duties under relevant Philippine laws.

The exportation or removal of tax and duty-free goods from the territory of the SSEZ to other parts of the Philippine territory shall be subject to duties and taxes under relevant Philippine laws.

Section 2. **On All Other Taxes.** - In lieu of all local and national taxes (except import taxes and duties), all business enterprises in the SSEZ shall be required to pay the tax specified in Section 12(c) of R.A. No. 7227.

Section 3. **Effectivity.** - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 97-A
FURTHER CLARIFYING THE TAX AND DUTY-FREE PRIVILEGE WITHIN
THE SUBIC SPECIAL ECONOMIC AND FREE PORT ZONE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7227 (Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992) created a special economic and free port zone with tax and other incentives as provided in said law;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7227 provides that within the framework and subject to the mandate and limitations of the Constitution and the pertinent provisions of the Local Government Code, the Subic Special Economic and Free Port Zone (SSEFPZ) shall be developed into a self-sustaining industrial, commercial, financial and investment center to generate employment opportunities in and around the SSEFPZ and to attract and promote productive foreign investments; and

WHEREAS, a special tax and duty-free privilege within a *Secured Area* in the SSEFPZ subject to existing laws has been determined necessary to attract local and foreign visitors to the zone.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The following guidelines shall govern the tax and duty-free privilege within the *Secured Area* of the Subic Special Economic and Free Port Zone:

- 1.1. The *Secured Area* consisting of the presently fenced-in former Subic Naval Base shall be the only completely tax and duty-free area in the SSEFPZ. Business enterprises and individuals (Filipinos and foreigners) residing within the *Secured Area* are free to import raw materials, capital goods, equipment, and consumer items tax and duty-free. Consumption items, however, must be consumed within the *Secured Area*. Removal of raw materials, capital goods, equipment and consumer items out of the *Secured Area* for sale to non-SSEFPZ registered enterprises shall be subject to the usual taxes and duties, except as may be provided herein.
- 1.2. Residents of the SSEFPZ living outside the *Secured Area* can enter the *Secured Area* and consume any quantity of consumption items in hotels and restaurants within the *Secured Area*. However, these residents can purchase and bring out of the *Secured Area* to other parts of the Philippine territory consumer items worth not exceeding US\$100 per month per person. Only residents age 15 and over are entitled to this privilege.
- 1.3. Filipinos not residing within the SSEFPZ can enter the *Secured Area* and consume any quantity of consumption items in hotels and restaurants within the *Secured Area*. However, they can purchase and bring out of the *Secured Area* to other parts of the Philippine territory consumer items worth not exceeding US\$200 per year per person. Only Filipinos age 15 and over are entitled to this privilege.
- 1.4. Foreign tourists, *balikbayans* and returning residents (from abroad) passing through the *Secured Area* shall be entitled to the same prevailing tax and duty-free privileges they presently enjoy.

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- 1.5 There shall be no pooling, tacking, or advance use of the US\$100 or US\$200 entitlement which is a privilege similar to the entitlement enjoyed by returning residents who shop at existing government-owned tourist duty-free shops.
 - 1.6. The sale of tax and duty-free consumer items in the *Secured Area* shall only be allowed in duly authorized duty-free shops. Duty-free shops shall be subject to the joint regulation of the Bureau of Customs and the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) to insure proper accounting of imports and sales.
 7. A control system shall be set up by duty-free shop operators at their own expense. This system shall be approved by the SBMA and Customs authorities before any duty-free outlet is permitted to operate.
In the meantime that control measures have not been defined and set in place, the SBMA is directed to order duty free shops located in the SSEFPZ to desist from further selling duty and tax free goods to persons other than tourists, *balikbayans* and returning residents.
 - 1.8. The SBMA shall install a computerized identification system to insure compliance with the guidelines governing the SSEFPZ, particularly the *Secured Area*.
Customs authorities together with SBMA personnel, shall man the entry exit/gates of the *Secured Area*.

Section 2. The Bureau of Customs and the SBMA shall jointly promulgate the rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order.

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 19th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). [*Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125*]. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 98
REORGANIZING THE EXPORT AND INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
INTO THE EXPORT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, it has been the declared policy of the government as embodied in Proclamation No. 167 (1993) to make export development the key to sustainable and balanced agri-industrial Philippine economic growth;

WHEREAS, in order to attain the status of a Newly Industrialized Country (NIC) by the year 2000, it is imperative to provide a policy climate that will foster economic growth based on global competitiveness and people empowerment;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a concerted and collective government and private sector effort to create a favorable business climate which will enhance growth and expansion of the country's export industry; and

WHEREAS, reorganizing the Export and Investment Development Council is necessary to strengthen the central agency that will review and assess policy issues affecting the export sector.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the reorganization of the Export and Investment Development Council as follows:

Section 1. **Name.** - The Export and Investment Development Council shall be renamed the Export Development Council.

Section 2. **Composition.** - The Export Development Council ("Council") shall be composed of the following:

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| a. | Secretary of Trade and Industry | - | Chairman |
| b. | Secretary of Finance | - | Vice-Chairman |
| c. | Secretary of Agriculture | - | Member |
| d. | Secretary of Foreign Affairs | - | Member |
| e. | Director-General of National Economic and Development Authority | - | Member |
| f. | Governor of the Central Bank of the Philippines | - | Member |
| g. | Presidential Assistant for Visayas | - | Member |
| h. | Presidential Assistant for Mindanao | - | Member |
| i. | Eight (8) Representatives of the Private Sector | | Members |

A permanent representative from the Office of the President shall be present during all Council meetings.

The representatives from the private sector shall be appointed by and hold office at the pleasure of the President. They shall be selected from among leaders of the export sector.

Other Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies can be called upon to attend Council meetings and assist the Council resolve issues and problems that concern their respective offices.

Section 3. **Powers and Functions.** - The Council shall:

- a. Recommend approval of the Philippine Export Development Plan; coordinate, monitor and assess the implementation thereof, and, when necessary, recommend appropriate adjustments thereon in the light of changing conditions in both the domestic and international environment;
- b. Periodically review and assess the country's export performance, problems and prospects;
- c. Identify the main bottlenecks, problem areas and constraints in all areas/sectors/activities influencing the development of exports, including but not limited to, such matters as policy framework, physical infrastructure, finance, specialized support services, production, promotion and marketing;
- d. Provide advice on specific measures required to remove the bottlenecks/problems constraining the development of exports in any of the areas mentioned in (c);
- e. Recommend appropriate and necessary export development services and programs for adoption by government and private sector;
- f. Assume the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Commission on Export Procedures including the review power on the efficiency of the One-Stop Export Documentation Centers as provided for in Executive Order No. 843 (1982); and
- g. Constitute such subcommittees and task forces as may be necessary.

Section 4. **Executive Committee.** - An Executive Committee composed of representatives from DTI, NEDA and three (3) from the private sector is hereby constituted to assist the Council in the coordination, monitoring and assessment of the implementation of the Philippine Export Development Plan.

Section 5. **Secretariat.** - The Council shall be assisted by a Secretariat based in the Department of Trade and Industry, headed by an official designated by the Chairman of the Council, together with personnel from the government agencies and private sectors represented in the Committee who shall be assigned to the Secretariat, respectively, by the Committee.

Section 6. **Meetings.** - The Council shall meet at least once a month, and at least once every quarter with the President; provided, whenever the President deems it necessary, he may convene the Council.

Section 7. **Funding.** - Funding of activities and operational expenses of the Council shall be supported by contributions from the government and the private sector. A seed capital in an amount recommended by the Department of Trade and Industry, upon consultation with the Department of Budget and Management, and approved by the President shall be taken from the Contingent Fund of the President. Thereafter, the annual contributions of the government shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Acts after consultations with the Department of Budget and Management.

Section 8. **Repealing Clause.** - All other executive issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly, including:

- 8 Executive Order No. 499 (1991) entitled "Creating an Export and Investment Development Council Defining its Composition, Powers and Functions";
- 8.2. Executive Order No. 520 (1992) entitled "Amending Executive Order No. 449 dated December 23, 1991, Creating an Export and Investment Development Council,

- Defining its Composition, Powers and Functions to Include in the Council the Secretary of Foreign Affairs”;
- 8.3. Executive Order No. 24 (1992) entitled “Strengthening the Export and Investment Development Council, Amending for this Purpose Executive Order Nos. 499 and 520, to Increase the Government and Private Sector Members of the Council”;
 - 8.4. Executive Order No. 843 (1982) entitled “Creating a Commission on Export Procedures”; and
 - 8.5. Executive Order No. 343 (1988) entitled “Reconstituting the Commission on Export Procedures”.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 99
PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

WHEREAS, the musical arrangement and composition of the Philippine National Anthem as set by its author, Julian Felipe, was adopted under Commonwealth Act No. 382 approved by the First National Assembly on September 5, 1938, which was reiterated in Section 13, Book I of the Administrative Code of 1987;

WHEREAS, Commonwealth Act No. 634, approved on June 10, 1941 by the Second National Assembly, amending Commonwealth Act No. 382, imposed a penalty of a fine of not less than twenty five nor more than one thousand pesos, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, for the first offense, and both fine and imprisonment for the second and additional offenses, for disrespect to the Philippine National Anthem by utterance in speech, writing or drawing, and any act or omission casting dishonor, ridicule, and contempt upon the Philippine National Anthem as well as its use in places of ill-repute or for purposes involving disrespect;

WHEREAS, there is at present a proliferation of inappropriate renditions of the National Anthem with different tempos, melodies, harmonies, embellishments, or syllabication of specific words, and thus, there is a felt need to preserve the arrangement and composition of the Philippine National Anthem as set by its author, Julian Felipe, and to attain uniform performance thereof in the Philippines as a manifestation of national unity, cohesion, nationalism, patriotism, and pride of country and people; and

WHEREAS, there is an imperative need to reinforce and expand upon the prescribed rules and guidelines on the performance of the Philippine National Anthem.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The performance of the Philippine National Anthem, whether played or sung, shall be in accordance with the musical arrangement and composition of Julian Felipe, as adopted under Commonwealth Act No. 382, and reiterated in Section 13 of Book I of the Administrative Code of 1987, and as made available and distributed by the Department of Education, Culture and Sports.

Section 2. Whenever the National Anthem is played at a public gathering, whether by a band or by singing or both, or reproduced through a sound system, the attending public shall be enjoined to sing the National Anthem with feeling and fervor. As a sign of respect, all persons shall be enjoined to stand at attention and face the Philippine flag, if there is one displayed, and at the first note, execute a salute by placing their right palms over their left chests. Those in military, scouting, citizens military training and security guard uniforms shall give the salute prescribed by their regulations. The salute shall be completed upon the last note of the National Anthem. The National Anthem shall not be played and sung for mere recreation, amusement or entertainment purposes.

Section 3. All officials and employees of the Government, and any subdivision, agency or instrumentality thereof, including government-owned or controlled corporations and government institutions of learning are hereby directed to comply strictly with the rules prescribed herein for the performance of the Philippine National Anthem, during the opening or start of all state celebrations

or gatherings and during other public acts of official or semi-official character and formal ceremonies of civic nature. All heads of said offices are further directed to circularize this Executive Order within their respective areas of influence. Any official or employee who fails to perform his duties under this Executive Order shall be administratively dealt with in accordance with law.

Section 4. The Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall ensure that the National Anthem, as adopted by law, shall be committed to memory by all elementary school pupils, public and private, and performed during the flag ceremony conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations issued by the Department. In addition, it shall make available the vocal, piano or band scores of the National Anthem, as adopted by law, to all private and public schools, as well as the general public and concerned entities.

Section 5. The playing of the National Anthem for sign-on and sign-off purposes in radio and television broadcasting shall be the joint responsibility of the Office of the Press Secretary under the Office of the President and the Kagawaran ng mga Brodkasters sa Pilipinas, while that for cinema houses shall be the joint responsibility of the Motion Picture and Television Review and Classification Board and the Movie Producers and Distributor Association of the Philippines.

Section 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately. All executive orders, rules and regulations or portions thereof inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 100
MANDATING THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES
NATIONWIDE IN URBAN GREENING, THROUGH AN ADOPT-A-STREET/PARK PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the massive expansion of built up areas and the substantial reduction of lowland vegetation precipitate the threatening concentration of air pollution particularly in the urban centers;

WHEREAS, social responsibility is a vital component of environmental protection;

WHEREAS, the bureaucracy, with its active labor force, is among the most potent sectors which can effectively and efficiently implement a rapid urban greening program; and

WHEREAS, in support of the government's Clean and Green Program, an active participation of the entire citizenry, especially the government sector, is highly necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, upon the recommendation of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. **Adopt-A-Street/Park Program.** - All government offices, including their regional and field offices and the government-owned and controlled corporations, shall actively participate in urban greening through an Adopt-A-Street/Park Program (hereinafter referred to as the Program). This Program requires all government agencies, in coordination/cooperation with concerned local government units (LGUs), the private/business sectors and non-governmental organizations to adopt streets/parks within urban centers and assume the responsibility of greening them by planting the appropriate vegetation, using their respective manpower and other resources.

SEC. 2. **Program Implementation.** - The DENR, through its regional and field offices and in cooperation/coordination with all concerned agencies/sectors, shall manage/coordinate the implementation of the Program.

SEC. 3. **Implementing Guidelines.** - The DENR, in coordination with the Civil Service Commission, the Department of Public Works and Highways, the Department of Interior and Local Government, the Metro Manila Authority, the Clean and Green Program and other concerned agencies, shall promulgate the necessary guidelines for the implementation of the Program.

SEC. 4. **Budget.** - The DENR shall set aside the necessary budget for the management/coordination of the Program.

SEC. 5. **Effectivity.** - This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of **June**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 101
REVISING THE COMPENSATION PLAN OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 1285 establishes the system of compensation standards and policies for personnel of the Philippine Government who are stationed abroad;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 495 establishes the rules and regulations implemented by Letter of Implementation No. 63 to be observed in the payment of compensation for personnel of the National Government who are stationed abroad;

WHEREAS, the latest adjustment of indices on overseas and living quarters allowances was made on 27 August 1981, or almost twelve (12) years ago;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 394 was issued on 15 February 1990 only as an interim measure to adjust the basic annual rates of overseas and living quarters allowances;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7157, otherwise known as the Philippine Foreign Service Act of 1991, was passed to strengthen the capability of the Philippine Foreign Service and provide reasonable salaries, allowances and other benefits to Foreign Service personnel;

WHEREAS, the cost of living abroad has increased due to drastic changes in foreign currency conversion rates as well as extraordinary and necessary expenses not otherwise compensated for but which are incurred by officers and employees in the foreign service;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide government personnel assigned abroad with a fairly adequate means within the government's financial capability to enable them to live in a manner befitting their representative capacities so as to ably represent the country with distinction and dignity and to uphold the prestige of the Republic;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby approve the following rates, rules and regulations to be observed in the payment of compensation to personnel of the National Government in the Philippine Foreign Service.

SECTION 1.0 OVERSEAS ALLOWANCE

1.1 *The basic annual rates of overseas allowance provided for under Section 1 of Executive Order No. 394 for all Philippine government personnel stationed abroad shall be amended as follows:*

<u>RANK</u>	<u>RATE</u>	
	<u>IN US DOLLARS</u>	
	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Chief of Mission	21,375	43,391
Head of Diplomatic Mission	18,988	37,731
Others, including Consul General	15,624	32,809
Career Minister		
Foreign Service Officer		
Class I	13,547	28,530
Class II	12,042	25,936
Class III	9,923	23,578

RANK	RATE	
	IN US DOLLARS	
Class IV	8,697	21,435
<i>Foreign Service Staff Officer</i>		
Class I	-	21,435
Class II	8,225	20,414
Class III	7,461	19,442
Class IV	6,580	18,516
<i>Foreign Service Staff Employee</i>		
Class I	6,113	16,833
Class II	5,310	16,031
Class III	4,631	15,268

1.2 *The overseas allowance indices provided for under Executive Order No. 723 are hereby revised and the newly opened posts are given an index as follows:*

COUNTRY/POST	PERCENTAGE	
	FROM	TO
Argentina	Buenos Aires	235 116
Australia	Canberra	180 106
	Melbourne	180 106
	Sydney	180 106
	Vienna	240 130
Austria	Manama	235 113
Bahrain	Dhaka	170 90
Bangladesh	Brussels	220 128
Belgium	Brasilia	160 93
Brazil	Bandar Seri Begawan	90
Brunei	Montreal	160 95
Canada	Ottawa	160 95
	Toronto	160 95
	Vancouver	160 95
	Winnipeg	160 95
	Santiago	180 93
Chile	Beijing	150 92
China	Saipan	102
C.N.M.I.	Havana	190 112
Cuba	Cairo	150 92
Egypt	Paris	245 128
France	Libreville	270 140
Gabon	Berlin	245 128
	Bonn	245 128
	Hamburg	245 128
Greece	Athens	200 112
Hong Kong	Hong Kong	160 98
Hungary	Budapest	89

<u>COUNTRY/POST</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	
	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
<i>India</i>	<i>New Delhi</i>	140 84
<i>Indonesia</i>	<i>Jakarta</i>	160 101
	<i>Menado</i>	120 67
<i>Iran</i>	<i>Tehran</i>	170 100
<i>Iraq</i>	<i>Baghdad</i>	190 113
<i>Israel</i>	<i>Tel-Aviv</i>	180 130
<i>Italy</i>	<i>Rome</i>	190 136
<i>Japan</i>	<i>Kobe</i>	270 162
	<i>Tokyo</i>	270 162
<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Amman</i>	245 113
<i>Kenya</i>	<i>Nairobi</i>	170 93
<i>Kuwait</i>	<i>Kuwait</i>	245 113
<i>Libya</i>	<i>Tripoli</i>	270 113
<i>Malaysia</i>	<i>Kuala Lumpur</i>	160 91
<i>Mexico</i>	<i>Mexico City</i>	140 93
<i>Micronesia</i>	<i>Pohnpei</i>	102
<i>Morocco</i>	<i>Rabat</i>	210 115
<i>Myanmar</i>	<i>Yangon</i>	140 82
<i>Netherlands</i>	<i>The Hague</i>	260 128
<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>Wellington</i>	160 110
<i>Nigeria</i>	<i>Lagos</i>	250 130
<i>Oman</i>	<i>Muscat</i>	113
<i>Pakistan</i>	<i>Islamabad</i>	150 89
<i>Papua New Guinea</i>	<i>Port Moresby</i>	180 102
<i>Peru</i>	<i>Lima</i>	100 93
<i>Poland</i>	<i>Warsaw</i>	150 89
<i>Qatar</i>	<i>Doha</i>	113
<i>Romania</i>	<i>Bucharest</i>	150 89
<i>Russia</i>	<i>Moscow</i>	200 130
<i>Saudi Arabia</i>	<i>Jeddah</i>	245 113
	<i>Riyadh</i>	245 113
<i>Senegal</i>	<i>Dakar</i>	230 131
<i>Singapore</i>	<i>Singapore</i>	160 98
<i>South Korea</i>	<i>Seoul</i>	200 108
<i>Spain</i>	<i>Barcelona</i>	128
	<i>Madrid</i>	190 128
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	<i>Colombo</i>	140 82
<i>Sweden</i>	<i>Stockholm</i>	240 142
<i>Switzerland</i>	<i>Berne</i>	270 142
	<i>Geneva</i>	270 142
<i>Thailand</i>	<i>Bangkok</i>	160 91
<i>Turkey</i>	<i>Ankara</i>	113
<i>U.A.E.</i>	<i>Abu Dhabi</i>	245 113
<i>United Kingdom</i>	<i>London</i>	240 136

	<u>COUNTRY/POST</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	
		<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
U.S.A.	Agana	155	102
	Chicago	160	97
	Honolulu	175	110
	Houston	170	94
	Los Angeles	160	95
	New Orleans	160	93
	New York	175	100
	San Diego		93
	San Francisco	160	93
	Seattle	160	96
	Washington, D.C.	175	96
Vatican	Holy See	190	136
Vietnam	Hanoi	140	84
Yugoslavia	Belgrade	170	92

1.3 Overseas allowance indices may be adjusted whenever the following conditions exist, and certified accordingly by the Secretary:

- a) That the cost of living at post abroad is proportionately so high that an allowance is necessary to enable an officer or employee at such post to carry out his work efficiently;
- b) That extraordinary and necessary expenses not otherwise compensated for are incurred by an officer or employee of the Foreign Service incident to his assignment in the post; and
- c) That an allowance is necessary to assist an officer or employee of the Foreign Service who is compelled to stay in his post of assignment in spite of dangerous, notably unhealthy, or excessively adverse living conditions prevailing at his post or for the convenience of the government to meet the additional expenses of maintaining an assignment.

1.4 Hardship posts as determined by the Secretary shall receive an additional five percent (5%) increase in their overseas allowance to meet other expenses brought about by dangerous, unhealthy or excessive adverse living condition prevailing at the post.

1.5 Husband and wife who are assigned in the same post shall be entitled to a separate allowance with index corresponding to their respective ranks.

SECTION 2.0 LIVING QUARTERS ALLOWANCE

2.1 The basic annual rates of living quarters allowance provided for under Section 2 of Executive Order No. 394 for all Philippine Government personnel stationed abroad shall be amended as follows:

RANK	RATE IN US DOLLARS			
	WITH Family		WITHOUT Family	
	From	To	From	To
<i>Chief of Mission</i>				
<i>Head of Diplomatic Mission</i>	12,941	33,984	10,345	27,777
<i>Others, including Consul General</i>	10,482	28,318	8,621	23,146
<i>Career Minister</i>	7,644	24,625	6,513	20,130
<i>Foreign Service Officer</i>				
<i>Class I</i>	6,786	22,389	5,734	18,296
<i>Class II</i>	6,422	20,352	5,404	16,636
<i>Class III</i>	5,538	18,503	4,602	15,124
<i>Class IV</i>	5,031	16,820	4,142	13,747
<i>Foreign Service Staff Officer</i>				
<i>Class I</i>	-	16,820	-	13,747
<i>Class II</i>	4,746	15,290	3,922	13,094
<i>Class III</i>	4,463	14,563	3,661	12,470
<i>Class IV</i>	4,209	13,869	3,425	11,875
<i>Foreign Service Staff Employee</i>				
<i>Class I</i>	3,926	12,579	3,056	10,771
<i>Class II</i>	3,926	12,579	3,056	10,771
<i>Class III</i>	3,926	12,579	3,056	10,771

2.2 *The living quarters allowance indices provided for under Executive Order No. 723 are hereby revised and the newly opened posts are also given an index as follows:*

COUNTRY/POST		PERCENTAGE	
		FROM	TO
<i>Argentina</i>	<i>Buenos Aires</i>	250	85
<i>Australia</i>	<i>Canberra</i>	180	95
	<i>Melbourne</i>	180	100
	<i>Sydney</i>	180	100
<i>Austria</i>	<i>Vienna</i>	220	120
<i>Bahrain</i>	<i>Manama</i>	250	98
<i>Bangladesh</i>	<i>Dhaka</i>	110	55
<i>Belgium</i>	<i>Brussels</i>	220	120
<i>Brazil</i>	<i>Brasilia</i>	230	105
<i>Brunei</i>	<i>Bandar Seri Begawan</i>		85
<i>Canada</i>	<i>Montreal</i>	170	100
	<i>Ottawa</i>	170	100
	<i>Toronto</i>	170	102
	<i>Vancouver</i>	170	100
	<i>Winnipeg</i>		100
<i>Chile</i>	<i>Santiago</i>	150	85
<i>China</i>	<i>Beijing</i>	150	90

		PERCENTAGE	
<u>COUNTRY/POST</u>		<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
<i>C.N.M.I.</i>	<i>Saipan</i>		100
<i>Cuba</i>	<i>Havana</i>	160	90
<i>Egypt</i>	<i>Cairo</i>	190	90
<i>France</i>	<i>Paris</i>	230	120
<i>Gabon</i>	<i>Libreville</i>	190	120
<i>Germany</i>	<i>Berlin</i>	240	120
	<i>Bonn</i>	240	120
	<i>Hamburg</i>	240	120
<i>Greece</i>	<i>Athens</i>	220	102
<i>Hongkong</i>	<i>Hongkong</i>	270	110
<i>Hungary</i>	<i>Budapest</i>		95
<i>India</i>	<i>New Delhi</i>	130	60
<i>Indonesia</i>	<i>Jakarta</i>	170	95
	<i>Menado</i>	110	60
<i>Iran</i>	<i>Tehran</i>	250	90
<i>Iraq</i>	<i>Baghdad</i>	250	110
<i>Israel</i>	<i>Tel-Aviv</i>	190	120
<i>Italy</i>	<i>Rome</i>	200	120
<i>Japan</i>	<i>Kobe</i>	270	145
	<i>Tokyo</i>	270	145
<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Amman</i>	350	98
<i>Kenya</i>	<i>Nairobi</i>	170	78
<i>Kuwait</i>	<i>Kuwait City</i>	350	98
<i>Libya</i>	<i>Tripoli</i>	350	98
<i>Malaysia</i>	<i>Kuala Lumpur</i>	155	85
<i>Mexico</i>	<i>Mexico City</i>	200	110
<i>Micronesia</i>	<i>Pohnpei</i>		100
<i>Morocco</i>	<i>Rabat</i>	220	95
<i>Myanmar</i>	<i>Yangon</i>	100	60
<i>Netherlands</i>	<i>The Hague</i>	220	110
<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>Wellington</i>	170	112
<i>Nigeria</i>	<i>Lagos</i>	160	70
<i>Oman</i>	<i>Muscat</i>		98
<i>Pakistan</i>	<i>Islamabad</i>	130	60
<i>Papua New Guinea</i>	<i>Port Moresby</i>	160	110
<i>Peru</i>	<i>Lima</i>		78
<i>Poland</i>	<i>Warsaw</i>	160	85
<i>Qatar</i>	<i>Doha</i>		98
<i>Romania</i>	<i>Bucharest</i>	160	95
<i>Russia</i>	<i>Moscow</i>	200	95
<i>Saudi Arabia</i>	<i>Jeddah</i>	350	95
	<i>Riyadh</i>	350	95
<i>Senegal</i>	<i>Dakar</i>	250	120
<i>Singapore</i>	<i>Singapore</i>	200	100

<u>COUNTRY/POST</u>		<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	
		<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
South Korea	Seoul	160	120
Spain	Madrid	200	120
	Barcelona		120
Sri Lanka	Colombo	120	60
Sweden	Stockholm	220	120
Switzerland	Berne	240	120
	Geneva	240	120
Thailand	Bangkok	125	85
Turkey	Ankara		100
U.A.E.	Abu Dhabi	350	98
United Kingdom	London	240	120
U.S.A.	Agana	160	100
	Chicago	200	100
	Honolulu	190	110
	Houston	190	90
	Los Angeles	190	95
	New Orleans	185	90
	New York	200	100
	San Diego		90
	San Francisco	190	95
	Seattle	190	95
	Washington, D.C.	200	100
Vatican	Holy See	190	120
Vietnam	Hanoi	130	60
Yugoslavia	Belgrade	180	95

- 2.3 *The granting of living quarters allowance shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 65 of R.A. 7157 and the subsequent sections and that nobody shall suffer a reduction as a result of this adjustment; PROVIDED, That there shall be a minimum increase of \$240 per annum.*
- 2.4 *For purposes of this allowance, personnel who are married and living at the post of assignment with the spouse or at least one (1) dependent child shall be considered with family, while those who are single, widow/widower or legally separated shall be without family. A widow/widower or legally separated person with at least one (1) dependent child at the post shall be considered with family. Unmarried children who are mentally or physically handicapped as attested to by a medical certificate, incapable of supporting themselves, and living with the officer or employee abroad shall be considered, for this purpose, regardless of age, as dependents. Payment of the allowance shall be made strictly on the basis of actual status of the post.*
- 2.5 *In the case of husband and wife who are both assigned in one (1) post, only the spouse with the higher rank shall be entitled to the allowance with index and, for purposes of family statues under Section 2.4, hereof, the other spouse shall be considered as dependent.*

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- 2.6 *In case, where, because of acute housing shortage, prohibitive rental cost or other circumstances, two (2) or more Foreign Service personnel are constrained to rent one (1) apartment or housing unit jointly, the claimants shall be entitled to their respective allowances; Provided, That the head of post shall certify in the claim voucher that their individual allowance is insufficient to cover the rental of one (1) apartment or housing unit at the post.*
- 2.7 *In posts where there is a standard practice among landlords to require advance rental or deposit equivalent to at least six (6) months to one (1) year rental of the unit, payment of advance living quarters allowance sufficient to cover the required amount may be authorized: Provided, That the advance rental shall be paid directly to the landlord by the post: Provided, further, That the claimant shall submit to the Home Office a copy of the pertinent contract of lease duly certified by the head of the post: Provided, finally, That, in case of recall, reassignment or for any other reason, the unexpired portion of the amount paid shall be duly refunded to the post.*
- 2.8 *In places where the new lessees are invariably required at the outset to pay key money for goodwill and in places where lessees are required by the host government to rent a house or apartment unit through an agent and pay the corresponding real agent's fee or commission upon signing of the lease contract, including renewal thereof, payment of the above may be authorized, chargeable against the account of the Department: Provided, That the head of post shall certify in the pertinent cash voucher that such payments are customary at the post and not refunded by the owner to the lessee.*
- 2.9 *In lieu of commutable living quarters allowance, payment of actual rental of quarters occupied by the head of post may be authorized, subject to availability of funds and as may be warranted by the housing situation in the post of assignment. Payment of the utilities and other related expenses shall, however, be for the personal account of the head of post concerned.*

SECTION 3.0 POST ALLOWANCE

- 3.1 *The allowance shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Section 69 of R.A. 7157.*

SECTION 4.0 REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCE

- 4.1 *The allowance shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Section 70 of R.A. 7157.*
- 4.2 *Philippine Foreign Service establishments are categorized into high, medium and low cost posts, as follows:*

A. High Cost Posts

Barcelona, Berlin, Berne, Bonn, Brussels, Dakar, Geneva, Hamburg, Honolulu, Kobe, Lagos, Libreville, London, Madrid, Moscow, Paris, Rome, Seoul, Stockholm, Tel-Aviv, The Hague, Tokyo, Holy See and Vienna.

B. Medium Cost Posts

Abu Dhabi, Agana, Amman, Ankara, Athens, Baghdad, Buenos Aires, Canberra, Chicago, Doha, Havana, Hongkong, Jeddah, Kuwait, Manama, Melbourne,

Muscat, New York, Pohnpei, Port Moresby, Rabat, Riyadh, Saipan, Santiago, Singapore, Sydney, Teheran, Tripoli.

C. Low Cost Posts

Bandar Seri Begawan, Bangkok, Beijing, Belgrade, Brasilia, Bucharest, Budapest, Cairo, Colombo, Dhaka, Hanoi, Houston, Islamabad, Jakarta, Kuala Lumpur, Lima, Los Angeles, Menado, Mexico City, Montreal, Nairobi, New Delhi, New Orleans, Ottawa, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Toronto, Vancouver, Warsaw, Washington, Winnipeg and Yangon.

SECTION 5.0 ADJUSTMENTS OF RATES

- 5.1 *The allowances prescribed hereto for overseas and living quarters may be adjusted once a year by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs and the Secretary of Budget and Management, upon approval of the Office of the President, to respond to sudden Foreign exchange rate fluctuations and in price levels as a stop-gap measure and pending the establishment of new and revised rates, subject to the availability of funds.*
- 5.2 *In the case of a newly opened post not included in this Executive Order, the index of the closest post shall apply pending approval of an appropriate index for that particular post.*

SECTION 6.0 EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION

- 6.1 *All allowances, per diem, benefits and the like received by officers and employees of the Foreign Service in consideration of their service while on assignment abroad, except their basic salaries, shall be exempt from Philippine income tax.*

SECTION 7.0 FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

- 7.1 *The amount needed to cover the adjustments of foreign service compensations of personnel stationed abroad shall be taken from the appropriations for allowances and from whatever savings realized by the department or agency concerned during FY 1993. Thereafter, such amounts as may be necessary shall be included in the budget proposal of the department or by the agency concerned.*

SECTION 8.0 SUPPLEMENTARY RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 8.1 *The supplementary rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order shall be issued by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs.*

SECTION 9.0 SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

- 9.1 *If any section or any part of this Executive Order shall be declared unconstitutional by competent authority, the remaining sections or parts thereof shall not thereby be affected.*

SECTION 10.0 REPEALING CLAUSE

10.1 *All Orders, Letters of Implementation, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.*

SECTION 11.0 EFFECTIVITY DATE

11.1 *This Order shall take effect immediately.*

Done in the City of Manila, this 15th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 102
CREATING THE METRO NAGA DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the City of Naga and the Municipalities of Bombon, Calabanga, Camaligan, Canaman, Gainza, Magarao, Milaor, Minalabac, Pamplona, Pasacao, Pili, and San Fernando, all of the Province of Camarines Sur, have organized themselves into the Metro Naga Development Council;

WHEREAS, the Metro Naga Development Council seeks to consolidate and coordinate the efforts and resources of Naga City and its neighboring municipalities, following an integrated area development framework, to provide adequate social services, promote employment and improve the quality of life of the people in the area;

WHEREAS, such initiative by Naga City and its neighboring municipalities is supportive of the national policy on local autonomy and countryside development and thus deserves utmost support from the national government; and

WHEREAS, Section 14, Article X of the Constitution provides that the “President shall provide for regional development councils or other similar bodies composed of local government officials, regional heads of departments and other government offices, and representatives from non-governmental organizations within the regions for purposes of administrative decentralization to strengthen the autonomy of the units therein and to accelerate the economic and social growth and development of the units in the region”.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Metro Naga Development Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council, is hereby created. The Council shall formulate, coordinate and monitor programs, projects and activities for the acceleration of the economic and social growth and development of the City of Naga, the Municipalities of Bombon, Calabanga, Camaligan, Canaman, Gainza, Magarao, Milaor, Minalabac, Pamplona, Pasacao, Pili, and San Fernando, all of the Province of Camarines Sur, in coordination with the Governor of the Province of Camarines Sur who shall act as Adviser to the Council.

Section 2. The Council shall be composed of the following members:

- (a) The Mayors of Naga City and the Municipalities of Bombon, Calabanga, Camaligan, Canaman, Gainza, Magarao, Milaor, Minalabac, Pamplona, Pasacao, Pili, and San Fernando, all of the Province of Camarines Sur;
- (b) The representatives in the Province of Camarines Sur of the departments and agencies represented in the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), including the Department of Education, Culture and Sports and the Department of Social Welfare and Development, provided, that each department or agency shall have only one representative;
- (c) Representatives of the private sector and non-governmental organizations based in the area who shall comprise one-fourth (1/4) of the members of the fully constituted Council and whose selection and term of office shall be as provided in NEDA Board Resolution No. 6 (S. 1990).

Section 3. The Council shall have a Chairman whose appointment, functions, powers and responsibilities shall be similar to those of the Chairman of the Regional Development Council as provided in E.O. No. 308 (5 November 1987), as amended.

Section 4. The Council may, by resolution, create an Executive Committee, which shall oversee the day-to-day operations of the Council. The composition, functions and responsibilities of the Executive Committee shall be determined by the Council.

Section 5. The Council may call upon the Regional Office of the NEDA in Region V to serve, if required, as its technical staff.

Section 6. In the discharge of its functions, the Council shall ensure appropriate coordination with the Regional Development Council for Region V and the relevant local development councils.

Section 7. All departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the national government, including government owned or controlled corporations and government financial institutions, are hereby directed to extend their full assistance to the Council in support of its programs, projects and activities.

Section 8. The Council shall be provided an initial budget for CY 1993 to be taken from the President's contingent fund in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (₱500,000.00) and from contributions of the member Local Government units as may be determined by themselves. Thereafter, the annual operating expenses of the Council shall be included in General Appropriations Act after consultations with the Department of Budget and Management.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this **18th** day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 103

AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JOHN HAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AS THE IMPLEMENTING ARM OF THE BASES CONVERSION DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR CLUB JOHN HAY, AND DIRECTING ALL HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Government to accelerate the sound and balanced conversion of the former military reservations and their contiguous extensions into alternative productive civilian uses to promote the economic and social development of the country;

WHEREAS, the Bases Conversion Development Authority (BCDA) is mandated by Republic Act No. 7227 (RA 7227), otherwise known as the “Bases Conversion Development Act of 1992”, to prepare, adopt and implement a comprehensive and detailed plan for the conversion of these military reservations and their contiguous extensions consistent with the plans and programs of the national government and local government units;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of RA 7227, authorizes the BCDA to form, establish, organize and maintain subsidiaries in accordance with Philippine Corporation Law;

WHEREAS, it is envisioned that *Club John Hay* will be converted into a tourism, human resource development center and multiple use forest watershed reservation; and

WHEREAS, the national leadership is cognizant of the vital role of the private sector and local government units in the John Hay conversion program.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Creation of John Hay Development Corporation. - A body corporate to be known as the *John Hay Development Corporation (JHDC)* is hereby authorized to be formed as the operating and implementing arm of the BCDA to manage the *Club John Hay*, formerly known as the John Hay Air Station or Camp John Hay.

The JHDC shall be a subsidiary corporation of the BCDA and shall be formed in accordance with Philippine Corporation Law and existing rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 16 of RA 7227.

The JHDC shall be subject to the policies, rules and regulations of the BCDA.

Section 2. Powers and Functions of the John Hay Development Corporation. - The BCDA, as the incorporator and holding company of its John Hay subsidiary, shall determine the powers and functions of JHDC.

The JHDC shall be exempt from the coverage of the Civil Service laws, rules and regulations.

Section 3. Board of Directors. - The powers of the JHDC shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors (Board) which shall be composed of not more than eleven (11) members; provided that the composition of the JHDC Board shall be subject to the provisions of Section 16 of RA 7227.

The members of the Board representing the equity or capital stock in JHDC of BCDA and other national government agencies shall be nominated by the President.

No person shall be nominated as a member of the Board representing the capital stock of the national government in JHDC unless he is a Filipino citizen, of good moral character, and of recognized competence in relevant fields including but not limited to economics, tourism, management, international relations, law or engineering.

Section 4. **Capitalization.** - The capitalization of the JHDC shall be determined by the BCDA, which shall include the following:

- 4.1. Cash equity provided by the BCDA and other agencies and instrumentalities of government;
- 4.2. Portions of or all of the lands embraced and covered by *Club John Hay*, as well as permanent improvements and fixtures therein upon proper inventory; and
- 4.3. All other assets which the President may transfer to the JHDC as part of the equity contributions of the Government.

Section 5. **Role of Departments, Bureaus, Offices, Agencies and Instrumentalities.** - All heads of departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the government are hereby directed to give full support to the John Hay conversion program and to coordinate with the BCDA to facilitate the necessary approvals to expedite the implementation of the various projects of the conversion program.

Section 6. **Repealing Clause.** - All executive issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 7. **Effectivity.** - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 29th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 104
EXTENDING THE TERM OF EXISTENCE OF THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION
FROM 30 JUNE 1993 TO 31 JULY 1993

WHEREAS, the term of existence of the National Unification Commission shall expire on 30 June 1993 as provided for in Executive Order No. 19 s. 1992, as amended; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to afford the Commission more time to enable it to properly wind up its activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that the term of existence of the National Unification Commission shall be, as it is hereby, extended from 30 June 1993 to 31 July 1993.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 29th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 105
INSTITUTIONALIZING THE TRANSPORT TRAINING CENTER
AS A REGULAR UNIT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, through Letter of Instructions No. 428, dated 12 July 1976, the Transport Training Center (TTC) was jointly established, managed and operated by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and the University of the Philippines (UP);

WHEREAS, under Letter of Instructions No. 1080, dated 11 November 1980, the TTC became jointly managed, operated and developed by the then Ministry of Transportation and Communications (MOTC) and the UP with the long term view of upgrading the academic and research capabilities of the TTC.

WHEREAS, LOI 1080 likewise directed the Advisory Committee of the TTC to plan for the development of the TTC into a regular unit of the UP;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 125, dated 30 January 1987, and Executive Order No. 292, dated 25 July 1987, otherwise known as the Administrative Code of 1987, have included the TTC among the attached agencies of the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC);

WHEREAS, the TTC Advisory Committee during its meeting on 19 November 1992 have resolved to effect the institutionalization of the TTC as a regular unit of the UP;

WHEREAS, the UP, as part of an agreement with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) concerning the Japanese Technical Cooperation for the National Center for Transportation Studies Project, has committed to take the necessary steps to integrate the TTC into its organization; and

WHEREAS, the continuing existence of the TTC is vital to the human resource development efforts of the Government in the field of transportation and traffic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Transport Training Center is hereby institutionalized and restructured as a regular unit of the University of the Philippines.

Section 2. The institutionalization and restructuring of the TTC shall include the consolidation of the TTC functions, appropriations, funds, records, equipments, facilities, choses in action, rights, other assets, and personnel as may be necessary to the proper discharge of its functions exclusively in the UP. The liabilities, if any, that may have been incurred in connection with the discharge of its consolidated functions shall be treated in accordance with the usual auditing procedures and other pertinent laws, rules and regulations.

Section 3. The new position structure and staffing pattern of the TTC shall be approved by the President of UP in consultation with the Department of Budget and Management within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Order, and the authorized positions created thereunder shall be filled with regular appointments in accordance with the rules and procedures of UP. In the meantime, the officers and employees of the TTC shall, in a holdover-capacity, continue to perform their respective duties and responsibilities and receive the corresponding salaries and benefits.

Section 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **ANTONIO T. CARPIO**

Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 106
LIFTING THE SUSPENSION OF THE APPLICATION OF THE TARIFF CONCESSIONS
GRANTED BY THE PHILIPPINES ON REFRACTORY BRICKS UNDER THE
ASEAN PREFERENTIAL TRADING ARRANGEMENTS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 472, effective 20 August 1991, the application of the 10% binding concession on refractory bricks and the 25% Margin of Preference (MOP) on fireclay bricks, including alumina bricks, extended under the ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements (PTA) has been suspended on account of the serious injury caused to the domestic industries producing like or similar products by the surge of imports of subject articles enjoying said tariff concessions;

WHEREAS, following Thailand's request for the lifting of the suspension of the tariff concessions on subject articles, a reinvestigation was undertaken under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code, and the results thereof showed that the injurious import surge has been arrested by the simultaneous suspension of the tariff concessions on refractory bricks under the ASEAN-PTA and the imposition of dumping duty on importation of said articles from Thailand;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The suspension of the application of the tariff concessions granted by the Philippines on refractory bricks under the ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements, as implemented under Executive Order No. 472, is hereby lifted.

SEC. 2. Upon effectivity of this Order, the 10% binding concession on refractory bricks and the Margin of Preference on fireclay bricks, including alumina bricks, as specified in Columns 7, 8, and 9 of attached Annex "A", shall be restored. In effect, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential ASEAN Tariff in accordance with the schedule indicated in Columns 10 to 13 of said Annex "A".

SEC. 3. In the event that any subsequent changes are made in the basic Philippine rate of duty on item nos. (3) and (5), such articles shall automatically be accorded the corresponding amended rate of duty. The rates of duty on item nos. (1), (2), (4), and (6) shall remain bound at 10% for ASEAN.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex "A"

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 107

**TRANSFERRING THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT-PROJECT
MANAGEMENT OFFICE (TEAM-PMO) FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS**

WHEREAS, the TEAM-PMO is tasked with the formulation and implementation of traffic management plans designed to alleviate traffic congestion in the country;

WHEREAS, there is a need to transfer the TEAM-PMO from the Office of the President to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) since most of the frontline services and functions of the TEAM-PMO properly fall within the jurisdiction of the DPWH; and

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 grants the President of the Philippines the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President by, among others, transferring any agency under the Office of the President to any other department or agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the transfer of the Traffic Engineering and Management-Project Management Office from the Office of the President to the Department of Public Works and Highways.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of July, in the year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.**
Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 108

**CREATING THE CENTRAL VISAYAS WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT PROJECT
MANAGEMENT UNIT, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, it is the policy of government to seek the development of the regions of the country consistent with the needs and aspirations of the people therein;

WHEREAS, pursuant to this policy the Central Visayas Water and Sanitation Project (CVWSP) had been identified and planned by the Central Visayas Regional Development Council (RDC) with assistance from the Australian government to improve the health and living conditions of the poor people in the region through:

- a) improved planning, implementation, maintenance and monitoring of water supply and sanitation facilities;
- b) increased coverage of potable water supply and safe sanitation by design, construction and rehabilitation of appropriate water supply and sanitation facilities; and
- c) community participation in all aspects of planning, implementation and monitoring of the project;

WHEREAS, the CVWSP is funded by a grant from the Australian government through the Australian International Development Assistance Bureau (AIDAB) and counterpart funds from the national government in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding signed on December 21, 1990 between the respective governments of the Republic of the Philippines and Australia;

WHEREAS, the CVWSP is being implemented for the Philippine government by the RDC in coordination with concerned regional line agencies and provincial government units involved in the CVWSP; and

WHEREAS, to pursue the objectives of the CVWSP, a Project Management Unit has to be established in accordance with Section 14, Article X of the Constitution to serve as the coordinating arm of the RDC in the implementation of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Creation of the Central Visayas Water and Sanitation Project – Project Management Unit. The Central Visayas Water and Sanitation Project - Project Management Unit (CVWSP-PMU) is hereby created under the RDC. The CVWSP-PMU shall have its principal office and address in Cebu City.

Section 2. Functions of the Central Visayas Water and Sanitation Project – Project Management Unit. The CVWSP-PMU shall be responsible to the RDC for coordinating the implementation of the CVWSP. Specifically, it shall perform the following functions in cooperation with the Australian funded advisors assigned by AIDAB to the CVWSP:

Develop and prescribe operating guidelines, policies and procedures for and generally oversee the coordination of the implementation of the CVWSP;
 Prepare an annual work plan and budget in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Memorandum of Agreement, Design Document and Project Implementation Document;
 Promote close coordination among regional line agencies and local government units in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the CVWSP;
 Secure the counterpart funds from the national government including the contribution from concerned local government units, community beneficiaries and other entities necessary to augment the funding for the CVWSP;
 Coordinate the procurement of grant materials from the Government of Australia for use in the construction of water supply projects and sanitation facilities and be responsible for the storage and distribution of these materials to the different project sites; and
 Perform such other functions as necessary for timely and effective implementation of the CVWSP or as required by the RDC and the Office of the President.

Section 3. Project Governing Committee. The CVWSP-PMU shall have a Project Governing Committee (PGC) that shall serve as the overall governing and policy making body for the CVWSP.

Section 4. Composition of the Committee. The PGC shall be composed of the RDC Chairman as PGC Chairman and the following as members: RDC Co-Chairman, the respective Provincial Governors of Cebu, Bohol, Negros Oriental and Siquijor, the respective Regional Directors of NEDA, DBM, DILG, DOH and DENR, and four private sector representatives to be designated by the RDC.

Section 5. Functions, Powers and Responsibilities of the Project Governing Committee. The PGC shall have the following functions:

Develop and prescribe policies and guidelines for proper planning and implementation of the CVWSP;
 Review and approve the annual work program and budget required for submission to the RDC, Department of Budget and Management, and Congress for funding;
 Review and monitor the progress of implementation of the CVWSP and proposed necessary corrective measures to assure timely and effective implementation of project activities;
 Submit to the President through the RDC periodic and special reports relative to the progress of implementation of the CVWSP; and
 Perform such other related functions and adopt measures as may be necessary to ensure timely and effective implementation of the CVWSP.

Section 6. Central Visayas Water and Sanitation Project – Project Management Unit Staff. The CVWSP-PMU shall be provided with the necessary technical and administrative staff as may be determined by the PGC and approved by the appropriate agencies. The staff shall be headed by an Executive Director appointed by the President upon recommendation of the RDC.

Section 7. Appropriations. Such amounts as may be necessary for the operational requirements of the CVWSP-PMU and the required national government counterpart funds (capital outlay) for the construction of water supply projects and sanitation facilities as defined in the Memorandum of

Understanding, Design Document, and Project Implementation Document shall henceforth be provided separately in the annual General Appropriations Act of the national government.

Until such time that the annual budget for the operational requirements of the CVWSP-PMU, including the necessary counterpart funds for capital outlay, is not yet included in the annual General Appropriations Act, such requirements shall be taken from the Foreign Assisted Project Support Funds being provided for in the existing General Appropriations Act.

The local government units, such as the province and municipalities that are included for coverage by the CVWSP, may by voluntary actions also contribute its local funds or secure funds from other sources to augment the budget for water supply and sanitation facilities, which are identified under this project for implementation in their localities.

Section 8. Duration of the Central Visayas Water and Sanitation Project – Project Management Unit. The CVWSP-PMU shall operate from the date of the effectivity of this Executive Order to the project completion date prescribed in the Memorandum of Understanding, Design Document, and Project Implementation Document.

Section 9. Separability Clause. Any provision of this Executive Order that may be declared unconstitutional shall not have the effect of nullifying the other provisions hereof; Provided, that such remaining provisions can still stand and be given effect in their entirety to accomplish the objectives of the CVWSP.

Section 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 109
POLICY TO IMPROVE THE PROVISION OF LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER SERVICE

WHEREAS, local exchange service is fundamental to the goal of providing universal access to basic and other telecommunications services;

WHEREAS, during the development phase, cost-based pricing of services such as national and international long distance and other telecommunications services may be employed to generate funds which may then be used to subsidize the local exchange service;

WHEREAS, while the telecommunications sector as a whole is profitable, the profits mainly come from the toll services particularly from the international long distance service; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to promulgate new policy directives to meet the targets of Government thru the National Telecommunications Development Plan (NTDP) of the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), specifically: (1) to ensure the orderly development of the telecommunications sector through the provision of service to all areas of the country; (2) to satisfy the unserved demand for telephones; and (3) to provide healthy competition among authorized service providers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. **Definition of Terms.** The following definitions shall apply within the context of this policy:

Basic Telecommunications Service – refers to local exchange residence and business telephone service and telegraph service without additional features;

Cost-based pricing - refers to a system of pricing in which the actual cost of providing service establishes the basic charge to which a fixed mark-up is added to collect a standard charge to all users without discrimination;

Local Exchange Carrier Service – refers to a telecommunications service, primarily but not limited to voice-to-voice service, within a contiguous geographic area furnished to individual subscribers under a common local exchange rate schedule;

Value-based pricing – also known as value of service pricing refers to a system of pricing where cost of service establishes the minimum charge and a variable mark-up is added to collect revenue from those who value the service more highly; and

Universal Access – refers to the availability of reliable and affordable telecommunications service in both urban and rural areas of the country.

Section 2. **Objective.** The objective of this policy is to improve the provision of local exchange service in unserved and underserved areas as defined by the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC), thus promoting universal access to basic telecommunications service.

Section 3. **General Policy.** The Government shall pursue the policy of democratization in the ownership and operation of telecommunication facilities and services.

Section 4. **Cross-Subsidy.** Until universal access to basic telecommunications service is achieved, and such service is priced to reflect actual costs, local exchange service shall continue to be cross-subsidized by other telecommunications services within the same company.

Section 5. **Service Packaging.** Authorized international gateway operators shall be required to provide local exchange service in unserved and underserved areas, including Metro Manila, within three (3) years from the grant of an authority from the NTC, under the following guidelines:

- (a) Authorized gateway operators shall provide a minimum of three hundred (300) local exchange lines per international switch termination;
- (b) At least one (1) rural exchange line shall be provided for every ten (10) urban local exchange lines installed;
- (c) The establishment of Public Calling Offices at the rural barangay level shall be given an appropriate credit by the NTC towards the obligation to provide local exchange service.

The above figures are derived from the following factors: number of exchange lines, number of international switch terminations, traffic, grade of service and demand;

No permit for an international gateway facility shall be granted an applicant unless there is a clear showing that it can establish the necessary foreign correspondenceships; and

Carriers already providing local exchange service in accordance with Section 5(a), (b) and (c) shall be authorized to operate an international gateway subject to applicable laws.

Section 6. **Subsidiary.** The subsidiaries of a public telecommunications carrier operating an authorized international gateway shall not be allowed to operate another gateway in accordance with Executive Order No. 59 (1993).

For this purpose, a telecommunications company shall be considered as a subsidiary if any or all of the following conditions exists:

The two companies share the services of key operating and management personnel;

The shareholdings of one company, together with the shareholdings of its stockholders, in the other company aggregate more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding capital stock of the latter company; or

- (c) One company and its stockholders have a combined exposure in the other company in the form of loans, advances, or asset-lease equivalent to more than fifty percent (50%) of the capital accounts of the other company.

Section 7. **Cellular Mobile Telephone System.** Authorized international gateway operators may also be authorized to provide Cellular Mobile Telephone System (CMTS) service and other non-basic telecommunications services which are possible sources of subsidy for local exchange carrier service.

Section 8. **Non-Basic Services.** Authorized providers of other non-basic telecommunications services which are possible sources of subsidy shall be required to provide local exchange carrier service in accordance with guidelines, rules and regulations prescribed by the NTC.

Section 9. **Duration of Services.** The obligation to provide local exchange carrier service shall remain in force for as long as the service providers described in Sections 5, 7 and 8 hold their authorizations to provide their respective non-basic services.

Section 10. **Other Requirements.** The foregoing provisions shall be without prejudice to the other requirements for the grant of franchises and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity.

Section 11. **Interconnection Requirement.** All telecommunications service networks shall be interconnected in a non-discriminatory manner in accordance with Executive Order No. 59 (1993) and its implementing guidelines.

Section 12. **Financial Reporting Requirements.** The internal subsidy flows shall be made explicit in the financial reporting system of the telecommunications service providers.

Section 13. **Policy Implementation.** The NTC is hereby directed to promulgate the guidelines, rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order within thirty (30) days from the effective date of this Executive Order.

Section 14. **Violations.** Any violation of this Executive Order shall be subject to the same penalties provided for in Section 13 of Executive Order No. 59 (1993).

Section 15. **Transitory Provisions.** Existing telecommunications service providers described in Section 5, 7 and 8 shall have a period of five (5) years to comply with the above requirements to provide local exchange service.

Section 16. **Pending Applications.** Telecommunications service providers with existing and pending applications for International Gateway Facility, Cellular Mobile Telephone System (CMTS) and other Value Added Services (VAS) providers need not revise their applications with the NTC. However, upon issuance of the Provisional Authority or CPCN, as the case may be, they shall be given a period of three (3) months within which to submit and file the necessary applications for local exchange service in accordance with the provisions hereof.

Section 17. **Repealing Clause.** All executive orders, administrative orders and other executive issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

Section 18. **Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 110
STRENGTHENING THE EXPORT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (EDC) AMENDING
FOR THIS PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER (E.O.) NO. 98 TO INCREASE THE
GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Export Development Council was a clear manifestation of government's strong resolve to adopt export development as a national policy of the highest priority;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a concerted and collective government and private sector effort to create a favorable business climate which will enhance growth and expansion of the country's export industry;

WHEREAS, increasing the Council's membership to include the Secretary of Science and Technology is necessary to strengthen the central agency that will review and assess policy issues affecting the export sector.

WHEREAS, there is a need for an additional representation from the private sector to achieve balanced representation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1 Section 2 of EO 98 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“**Section 2. Composition.** - The Export Development Council (“Council”) shall be composed of the following:

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| a. Secretary of Trade and Industry | Chairman |
| b. Secretary of Finance | Vice-Chairman |
| c. Secretary of Agriculture | Member |
| d. Secretary of Foreign Affairs | Member |
| e. Secretary of Science and Technology | Member |
| f. Director General of the National Economic and Development Authority | Member |
| g. Governor of the Central Bank of the Philippines | Member |
| h. President Assistant for Visayas | Member |
| i. Presidential Assistant for Mindanao | Member |
| Nine (9) Representatives of the Private Sectors | Members” |

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 13th day of July, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 111
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE PORT OF OZAMIS UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Port of Ozamis is one of the major and busiest ports in the country;

WHEREAS, there is a need to expand the Port of Ozamis for planning purposes to accommodate projected increases in port traffic and to program the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Ozamis is hereby expanded and particularly described as follows:

“Beginning at point marked 1 on the plan, thence to point 2 at a distance of 178.00 m with bearing N42°30'W, thence to point 3 at a distance of 515.00 m with bearing S14°0'W, thence to point 4 at a distance of 613.00 m. with bearing S76°0'E, thence to point 5 at a distance of 676.00 m with bearing N14°0'E, thence to point 6 at a distance of 374.85 m. with bearing N76°01'W, thence to point 7 at a distance of 269.00 m. with bearing S31°0'W, thence to point 1, the point of beginning at a distance of 11.22 m with bearing N85°45'W, all in all comprising a total area of 370,198.00 sq. m. more or less.

SEC. 2. The Port of Ozamis, as expanded, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the Government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SEC. 3. All other orders, proclamations, and issuances or portions thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Sec. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 112
ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL SCIENCE TEACHING INSTRUMENTATION CENTER
(NSTIC) IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS

WHEREAS, Section 10, Article XIV of the Constitution provides that: “Science and technology are essential for national development and progress. The State shall give priority to research and development, invention, innovation, and their utilization; and to science and technology education, training, and services. It shall support indigenous, appropriate, and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, and their application to the country’s productive systems and national life”;

WHEREAS, in conformity with these declared State policies, the Government of the Republic of the Philippines entered into an Agreement with the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany dated 8 February 1989 pursuant to which the Science Training Improvement Project is now being undertaken;

WHEREAS, Section 3, Chapter 1, Title 6, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall have the powers and functions of formulating, planning, implementing and coordinating the policies, plans, programs and projects for non-formal and vocational or technical education as well as for foreign and locally assisted projects; and

WHEREAS, for the effective implementation of the Science Teaching Improvement Project and consistent with the abovequoted provisions of the Constitution, there is a need to establish a National Science Teaching Instrumentation Center under the Department of Education Culture and Sports.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. *Creation of the Center.* - There shall be established a National Science Teaching Instrumentation Center, hereinafter referred to as the Center, in the Department of Education, Culture and Sports which shall, upon close coordination with the Department of Science and Technology, carry out the following objectives:

- (a) To develop prototypes of science teaching equipment and materials using indigenous materials and locally available technology and adopted to the approved curriculum and tested for learning effectiveness for adoption by the school system;
- (b) To develop user’s manuals and experimentation manuals for science teaching equipment, using mainly locally available materials;
- (c) To develop and prescribe standards for science teaching equipment and materials in the country;
- (d) To assist the private sector in developing its capability to mass produce the science equipment prototypes developed by the Center by: (1) providing technical assistance to local manufacturers; and (2) establishing collaborative linkages for data and information exchanges between the education sector and the manufacturing industries such as the

education sector's demand for and the private sector's capability to supply science equipment and parts thereof;

- (e) To develop and provide training programs for science teachers on the effective teaching of science using the instructional equipment and materials developed by the Center as well as those that may be developed by the teachers themselves;
- (f) To undertake quality control of science equipment and materials being provided to the public schools in order to ensure that these equipment and materials meet the technical specifications set forth by the Center; and
- (g) To develop and implement a system of repair and maintenance of science equipment provided to the public schools.

Section 2. *Site and Facilities.* The Center shall be situated in Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City on the parcel of land consisting of three thousand (3,000) square meters covered by a Deed of Donation dated 17 March 1992 between the Republic of the Philippines and the Department of Education, Culture and Sports. The existing building, facilities, structures and equipment acquired pursuant to the Agreement dated 8 February 1989 between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of the Philippines shall be transferred to the Center, subject to the terms of said agreement.

Section 3. *Management Committee.* - (a) The Center shall have a Management Committee to be composed of:

- (1) The Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports, as Chairman;
 - (2) The Director, Bureau of Secondary Education of the DECS;
 - (3) A Regional Director from the DECS to be designated by the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports;
- The respective Directors of the Science Education Institute and Industrial Technology Institute, as representatives of the Department of Science and Technology; and
- Two Representatives from the industry to be appointed by the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports.

In the event that the Secretary cannot attend a meeting, an Undersecretary may be designated to represent him. The Management Committee may also require the attendance of any of the following in any of its meetings:

The Director of the Center;
 The Director, Educational Development Project Implementing Task Force (EDPITAF); and
 Any Regional Director or official of the DECS.

- (b) The Management Committee shall have the following powers and functions:

- (1) Formulate policies necessary for the attainment of the purposes and objectives of the Center;
- Promulgate rules and regulations governing the Center;

Determine the organizational structure of the Center, *provided*, that, the manpower requirements of the Center shall be taken from the plantilla of the Department of Education, Culture and Sports; and
Exercise such powers and functions as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order.

Section 4. *Center Director.* - The Center shall have a Director who shall be appointed by the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports and who shall oversee the day-to-day operations of the Center.

Section 5. *Technical and Staff Support.* - The Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall provide technical and staff support to the Center.

Section 6. *Funding.* - The funds necessary for the initial implementation of this Executive Order shall, subject to the approval of the President, be charged against the Contingent Fund under Republic Act No. 7645, also known as the 1993 General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such budget as may be necessary for the continued implementation of this Order shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act, *provided*, that, said budget for the Center shall be subsumed within the budget ceiling for the Department of Education, Culture and Sports.

Section 7. *Implementing Authority.* - The Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports shall promulgate such rules, regulations and other issuances as may be necessary to ensure the efficient and effective implementation of this Executive Order.

Section 8. *Effectivity.* - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 113
ENJOINING ALL SECTORS TO PARTICIPATE IN TREE PLANTING ACTIVITIES
IN SUPPORT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the Philippines is committed to the principles set forth in the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (Earth Summit);

WHEREAS, in order to translate commitments to more concrete actions, the Philippine Strategy for Sustainable Development (PSSD) is being operationalized by taking a balanced approach to environment and development issues, and incorporating sustainable principles and concepts in the national priorities of the government, including implementation of a Master Plan for Forestry Development (MPFD) to chart the long-term operations of the forestry sector;

WHEREAS, the government is at present implementing a National Forestation Program to revegetate open and denuded forest lands and provide a wholesome environment;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the foregoing strategies and programs and to further encourage the citizenry's involvement in the realization of the same, there is a need to advocate an ecological revolution (ECOREV), which shall take a holistic view in the rehabilitation and development of both terrestrial and marine ecosystems;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law and the Constitution, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The rehabilitation and greening of all open and denuded lands of the public domain, idle lands, private lands, and other suitable areas, both urban and rural, including rehabilitation of coastal or marine areas shall be encouraged.

SEC. 2. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall identify, assess, and designate actual areas for rehabilitation, development, planting, and management, taking into consideration the ecological zones and the provisions of Republic Act 7588 creating the Integrated Protected Areas System, including other relevant environment and natural resources programs.

Sec. 3. The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), through the Local Government Units (LGU's), shall implement tree planting and greening programs in all Provinces, Cities, Municipalities, and Barangays. It shall set up its counterpart funds and activate Local Environment and Natural Resources Committees and Multi-Sectoral Forest Protection Committees, pursuant to existing policies.

Sec. 4. The Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall likewise implement, through its students, faculty members, and other personnel, tree planting programs in school grounds and adjoining sites and other areas identified jointly by DECS and DENR.

Sec. 5. Private Sector participation shall be encouraged, through cooperative tree planting agreements and other appropriate arrangements. Suitable areas shall be made available to civic and professional organizations and other non-government organizations (NGO's) to develop and maintain, using their own resources, with free technical advice from the DENR.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of the DENR, in coordination with the Secretary of DILG, and the Secretary of DECS shall prepare the necessary implementing guidelines for the effective implementation of this Executive Order. The guidelines shall require the submission of periodic reports to the Office of the President.

Sec. 7. All existing Executive Orders, Administrative Orders, Rules and Regulations, and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

Sec. 8. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this **22nd** day of **July**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 114
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 31

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 31 was promulgated to immediately implement the restitution program to revitalize the sugar industry;

WHEREAS, there is a need to introduce amendments to Executive Order No. 31 in order to conform to the spirit under which Republic Act No. 7202 was enacted.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SEC. 1. Executive Order No. 31, promulgated on the 29th day of October, 1992 shall be amended, particularly Section 2, as follows:

“Section 2. In cases, however, where sugar producers have no outstanding loan balance with said financial institutions as of the date of effectivity of RA No. 7202 (i.e. sugar producers who have fully paid their loans either through actual payment or foreclosure of collateral, or who have partially paid their loans and after the recomputation of the interest charges, they end up with excess payment to said financial institutions), said producers shall be entitled to the benefits of recomputation in accordance with Sections 3 and 4 of RA No. 7202, but the said financial institutions, instead of refunding the interest in excess of twelve (12%) percent per annum, interests, penalties and surcharges, apply the excess payment as an offset and/or as payment for the producers’ outstanding loan obligations. Applications of restructuring banks under Section 6 of RA No. 7202 shall be filed with the Central Monetary Authority of the Philippines within one (1) year from application of excess payment.”

SEC. 2. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of July, the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 115
INCREASING THE SPECIAL DUTIES ON CRUDE OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS UNDER SECTION
104 OF THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED

Pursuant to the powers vested in me under Sections 104 and 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines, as amended, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. A special duty of P1.90 per liter or P302.10 per barrel on imported crude oil falling under Hdg. No. 27.09 and P2.00 per liter on imported oil products falling under Hdg. Nos. 27.10 and 27.11 of Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines, as amended, and listed in Annex "A" hereof shall be levied in addition to the existing ad valorem rates imposed on these articles.

SEC. 2. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, the articles listed in Annex "A" hereof when entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to the new additional rates of duty prescribed therein.

SEC. 3. The special duties imposed by Executive Order No. 478 on crude oil and imported oil products are hereby amended.

All other laws, Executive Orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Order are hereby modified, amended or repealed accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect after thirty (30) days following its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Reference: Nomenclature and Special Duty on Crude Oil and Oil Products

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 116
AMENDING SECTION 1 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 94 DATED 01 JUNE 1993

I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the amendment of Section 1, Executive Order No. 94 dated 1 June 1993, to better conform with the nomenclature and form of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System, as follows:

Hdg. No.	Harmonized System Code	Description	Rate of Duty until June 30, 1994
25.23		Portland cement, aluminous cement ("ciment fondu"), slag cement, supersulphate cement and similar hydraulic cements, whether or not coloured or in the form of clinkers.	
	2523.10	- Cement clinkers:	
	2523.10 10	- - - Cement clinker other than for white cement	3%
	2523.10 90	- - - x x x	
		- Portland cement:	
	2523.21 00	- - x x x	
	2523.29 00	- - Other	5%
	2523.30 00	- x x x	
	2523.90	- x x x	
	2523.90 10	- - - x x x	
	2523.90 90	- - - x x x	

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon the completion of its publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 29th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.**
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 117
ESTABLISHING AN INTER AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR COASTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WHEREAS, Section 2, Article XII of the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines ordains that the State shall protect the nation's marine wealth in its archipelagic waters, territorial sea and exclusive economic zone;

WHEREAS, consistent with this mandate, it is imperative to institutionalize a cooperative and coordinated working relationship among departments/agencies to strengthen the present support structures enforcing coastal environmental protection throughout the archipelago and optimize government efforts, as government resources may permit, to more efficient and effective levels;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Navy initiated, on localized basis, the establishment of an inter-agency task force, TF Sagip Buhay Dagat, with other government agencies, in Davao, for the effective protection of our marine and aquatic resources and that the successful experience/results gained therefrom made more manifest the need to implement/set-up the same working program, on a broader scale, to promote a national awareness on the priority of environmental concerns, and to insure a more effective and sustained law enforcement system on this regard, throughout the country;

WHEREAS, there is a need to create a cohesive coordinating body that shall trigger the needed response to fittingly meet the constitutional mandate and ensure the government's compliance thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Inter-Agency Task Force for Coastal Environmental Protection (IATFCEP) is hereby established and institutionalized, and shall be composed of the following:

1. The Executive Secretary
2. The Secretary of National Defense
3. The Secretary of Interior and Local Government
4. The Secretary of Agriculture
5. The Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources
6. The Secretary of Justice
7. The Flag Officer in Command, Philippine Navy
8. The Director General, Philippine National Police Force

The Chairman of the IATFCEP shall be the Secretary of the department designated herein as a lead agency thereof.

SECTION 2. For the first year of its existence, the Department of National Defense and Philippine Navy shall be designated as the lead agencies of IATFCEP in conceptualizing, improving and implementing an over-all program of action to protect the country's coastal waters, particularly in twenty one (21) protected/priority areas:

- 1) Sual-Alaminos-Bolinao, Pangasinan
- 2) Palau Island, Sta. Ana, Cagayan
- 3) Bani Pt., Masinloc, Zambales
- 4) Apo Reef, Occidental Mindoro
- 5) Cuyo Island Group, Palawan
- 6) Taytay Bay, Palawan
- 7) Ulugan Bay, Palawan
- 8) Quinalasag Island Group, Camarines Sur
- 9) Sorsogon Bay, Sorsogon
- 10) Sapien Bay, Capiz
- 11) Carbin Reef, Sagay, Negros Occidental
- 12) Apo Island, Negros Oriental
- 13) Bindoy Reef, Negros Oriental
- 14) Mahanay Island, Talibon, Bohol
- 15) Olango Island, Cebu
- 16) Guiuan, Samar
- 17) Initao, Misamis Oriental
- 18) Murcielagos Bay, Misamis Oriental
- 19) Sarangani Bay, South Cotabato
- 20) Pujada Bay, Davao Oriental
- 21) Marungas Island Group, Sulu
- 22) Others as may be designated later

Thereafter, the Department of Interior and Local Government and the Philippine National Police shall take over as IATFCEP's lead agencies.

SECTION 3. The IATFCEP shall perform the following functions and responsibilities:

- a) Formulate policies and priorities, promulgate guidelines and develop effective enforcement programs for coastal environmental protection on the national, regional and local levels;
- b) Enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the lead agencies and IATFCEP member-agencies, or with any requesting LGU, on a location specific or regional level, to fully implement this Executive Order;
- c) Deputize, pursuant to the MOA(s) entered into with any government agency or department, agency officials/personnel to insure an effective and sustained law enforcement and protection of the coastal environment, on a local, regional or national level;
- d) Coordinate, monitor and evaluate coastal environmental protection programs/development projects initiated by the Government, local government units (LGU's) and non-government organizations for a sustained law enforcement towards a more effective and efficient protection of our marine waters and aquatic resources;
- e) Undertake information dissemination and education campaigns on coastal environmental protection to create greater awareness on coastal environmental concerns and protective measures;
- f) Propose, from time to time and as the need arises, to the President the passage of laws or amendments or presidential issuances, to enhance the protection of our coastal environment; and

g) Perform such other tasks as may be necessary and incidental to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order and the purpose for which the IATFCEP had been established.

SECTION 4. The IATFCEP shall promulgate the necessary implementing guidelines for the accomplishment of the objectives of this Executive Order.

SECTION 5. The IATFCEP is hereby authorized to call on and mobilize any government agency or instrumentality, including local government units and government-owned or controlled corporations and also non-governmental agencies or institutions, for support and assistance in the implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. The IATFCEP shall be assisted by a Technical Working Group to be headed by the representative of the lead department and consisting of the representatives of the members hereof, whose offices shall be seated in such place as the lead department may provide/determine.

SECTION 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 11th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 118
MANDATING THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES
NATIONWIDE IN URBAN GREENING, THROUGH AN ADOPT-A-STREET/PARK PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the massive expansion of built up areas and the substantial reduction of lowland vegetation precipitate the threatening concentration of air pollution particularly in the urban centers;

WHEREAS, social responsibility is a vital component of environmental protection;

WHEREAS, the bureaucracy, with its active labor force, is among the most potent sectors that can effectively and efficiently implement a rapid urban greening program; and

WHEREAS, in support of the government's Clean and Green Program, an active participation of the entire citizenry, especially the government sector, is highly necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, upon recommendation of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Adopt-A-Street/Park Program. - All government offices, including their regional and field offices and the government-owned and controlled corporations, shall actively participate in urban greening through and Adopt-A-Street/Park Program (hereinafter referred to as the Program). This Program requires all government agencies, in coordination/cooperation with concerned local government units (LGUs), the private/business sectors, and non-governmental organizations, to adopt streets/parks within urban centers and assume the responsibility of greening them by planting the appropriate vegetation, using their respective manpower and other resources.

SEC. 2. Program Implementation. - The DENR, through its regional and field offices and in cooperation/coordination with all concerned agencies/sectors, shall manage/coordinate the implementation of the Program.

SEC. 3. Implementing Guidelines. - The DENR, in coordination with the Civil Service Commission, the Department of Public Works and Highways, the Department of Interior and Local Government, the Metro Manila Authority (in Metro Manila), the Clean and Green Program, and other concerned agencies, shall promulgate the necessary guidelines for the implementation of the Program.

SEC. 4. Budget. - The DENR shall set aside the necessary budget for the management/coordination of the Program.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this **12th** day of **August**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 119
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 106 LIFTING THE SUSPENSION OF THE
APPLICATION OF THE TARIFF CONCESSIONS GRANTED BY THE PHILIPPINES ON
REFRACTORY BRICKS UNDER THE ASEAN PREFERENTIAL TRADING ARRANGEMENTS

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 106 was issued on 10 July 1993 lifting the suspension of the application of the tariff concessions on refractory bricks under the ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements (PTA);

WHEREAS, Annex "A" of said Executive Order needs to be amended to effect certain necessary technical modifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Annex "A" of Executive Order No. 106 is hereby amended and a modified Annex "A" is herein provided.

SEC. 2. Upon effectivity of this Executive Order, the 10% binding concession on refractory bricks and the Margin of Preference on fireclay bricks, including alumina bricks, as specified in Columns 7, 8 and 9 of attached Annex "A", as amended, shall be restored. In effect, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential ASEAN Tariff in accordance with the schedule indicated in Columns 10 to 13 of said amended Annex "A".

SEC. 3. In the event that any subsequent changes are made in the basic Philippine rate of duty on item nos. (3) and (5), such articles shall automatically be accorded the corresponding amended rate of duty. The rates of duty on item nos. (1), (2), (4) and (6) shall remain bound at 10% for ASEAN.

SEC. 4. All laws, orders issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 9th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex "A"

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 120

DIRECTING THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, ITS DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, AGENCIES AND OFFICES, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, TO ADOPT COUNTERTRADE AS A SUPPLEMENTAL TRADE TOOL WITH RESPECT TO THE IMPORTATION OR PROCUREMENT OF FOREIGN CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY, PRODUCTS, GOODS AND SERVICES

WHEREAS, under Section 13, Article XII of the 1987 Constitution, the State is mandated to pursue a trade policy that serves the general welfare and utilizes all forms and arrangements of exchange on the basis of equality and reciprocity;

WHEREAS, the adoption of a policy on countertrade is aimed at compensating the foreign exchange expended for the importation or procurement of foreign capital equipment, machinery, products, goods and services by the national government, its agencies or offices including government-owned or controlled corporations, as well as to reciprocate for such importation or procurement through arranged counter exports of Philippine traditional or non-traditional products to the country of the supplier or any third country, or through product buy back, offsets or investments;

WHEREAS, countertrade arrangements are expected to result in the opening of new markets for Philippine products and services, overcome quota and trade restrictions of other countries, and provide for technology transfer and industrial growth, particularly in strategic industries, such as energy, transport, infrastructure, telecommunications, and defense, as well as those listed under the Investments Priorities Plan and the Industrialization Modernization Program; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of a policy on countertrade by the public sector will spur economic development and help the country achieve “newly-industrialized country” status by the year 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. *Coverage*. All departments, bureaus, agencies, offices and instrumentalities, including government-owned or controlled corporations, are hereby directed to adopt countertrade as a supplemental trade tool in connection with transactions involving the importation or procurement of foreign capital equipment, machinery, products, goods, and services entailing the payment of at least United States Dollars: One Million (US\$1,000,000.00) or its equivalent in other foreign currency, and to negotiate and conclude, on a best-efforts basis, agreements or arrangements on countertrade with respect to such importation.

Section 2. *Definition of Terms*. For purposes of this Executive Order, “Countertrade” shall refer to any of the following arrangements:

- (a) *Counterpurchase* - also known as counter exports, parallel transactions or reciprocal trade, whereby the foreign supplier reciprocally commits to purchase Philippine goods or services, to be exported to the supplier’s country or a third country;

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- (b) *Product Buy Back* - whereby the foreign supplier of the equipment or machinery is paid for with the resultant product(s) or good(s) made or manufactured by such equipment or machinery;
 - (c) *Offset* - whereby the foreign supplier commits to introduce investments or technology transfer in the Philippines, or assist in establishing new industries or improving existing industries to generate or save foreign exchange or create increased employment, which may or may not be related to the machinery, equipment, products or goods so imported or services procured;
 - (d) *Trade-for-Debt Swap* - whereby a loan or credit accommodation obtained by a government agency or government-owned or controlled corporation from a foreign government or creditor which has remained outstanding and unpaid is arranged to be settled in full or partially by way of sales of products, goods or services to be provided by a third party rather than by payment in foreign currency; or
 - (e) Any form of combination or variation of the above arrangements that results in the inflow to the country of foreign exchange, or savings thereof, investments, training and technology transfer, grants for educational, scientific, technological, environmental and related research programs or projects, which will enhance Philippine industrial or export competitiveness or contribute to the creation of new competitive industries, enhance existing industries or utilization of Philippine services or expertise by foreign clients, or result in the reduction of public debt.

Section 3. *Implementing Agency.* The Department of Trade and Industry, through the Philippine International Trading Corporation, is hereby directed to coordinate with all government agencies and government-owned or controlled corporations in formulating and implementing particular strategies on countertrade or similar arrangements for any planned importation or procurement of foreign capital goods, equipment, machinery, products, goods and services, with appropriate consultations to be made with the private sector.

Section 4. *Coordination by Government Agencies.* The government agency or government-owned or controlled corporation concerned shall closely coordinate with, and provide information on any planned importation or procurement as well as countertrade efforts already undertaken to the Department of Trade and Industry and the Philippine International Trading Corporation prior to actual importation or procurement, in order to assure the efficient implementation of this Executive Order.

Section 5. *Supply Base and Trading Network.* To achieve maximum implementation and dispersion of the benefits of countertrade arrangements which may be concluded by government agencies or government-owned or controlled corporations, the Philippine International Trading Corporation shall maintain and enhance its supply base and trading network through constant and close coordination with various industry and export sectors to ensure the availability of adequate and acceptable products, goods and services which may be required under such countertrade arrangements.

Section 6. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* The Department of Trade and Industry, National Economic Development Authority, Department of Finance, and the Philippine International Trading Corporation shall jointly promulgate the appropriate guidelines, rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order.

Section 7. *Repealing Clause.* The provisions of executive or administrative orders, rules, regulations and parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 8. *Effectivity*. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 19th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 121
CREATING THE MT. MAKILING RESERVE AREA AND LAGUNA DE BAY COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Development Vision and Framework, approved and adopted by the NEDA Board on 15 September 1992 for the implementation of the Medium-Term Philippine Development Plan (1993-1998), includes the preservation and development of the country's natural resources and environment;

WHEREAS, the preservation and development of the Mt. Makiling Reserve Area and the Laguna de Bay and its Watershed Region are vital to the government's overall development framework; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a single government body to coordinate and oversee efforts to preserve and develop the Mt. Makiling Reserve Area and the Laguna de Bay Region consistent with the development framework.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. *Creation of the Commission.* There is hereby created, under the Office of the President, the Mt. Makiling Reserve Area and Laguna de Bay Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission"), composed of the following members:

Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources	Chairman
Director-General of the National Economic and Development Authority	Vice-Chairman
Secretary of Tourism	Member
Secretary of Trade and Industry	Member
Secretary of Agriculture	Member
Secretary of the Interior and Local Government	Member
Secretary of Science and Technology	- Member
Secretary of National Defense	- Member
Governor of Laguna	Member
Governor of Rizal	- Member
Governor of Batangas	Member
Governor of Cavite	Member
Chairman, Metro Manila Authority	- Member
General Manager, Laguna Lake Development Authority	Member
Chancellor, University of the Philippines at Los Baños	- Member

Five (5) representatives from the private sector, representing business, land developers, farmers, fisherfolks, and environmentalist groups, shall be appointed as Consultants to the Commission by the President upon the recommendation of the Commission Chairman.

The University of the Philippines at Los Baños shall serve as the technical arm of the Commission, while the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) shall act as the Secretariat and provide administrative support thereto.

Section 2. *Duties and Functions of the Commission.* The Commission shall be an advisory body to the President on matters related to the Mt. Makiling Reserve Area and Laguna de Bay Region, and shall exercise the following functions and responsibilities:

- (a) Coordinate the effective implementation of the government policies and programs concerning and affecting the subject areas;
Coordinate the review and formulation of policies and programs for the preservation and development of the subject areas;
Liaise with the Legislative Branch on the passage of laws for the furtherance of the policies and projects concerning the subject areas;
- (d) Provide efficient mechanism to facilitate the resolution of issues and concerns affecting the subject areas;
Ensure the efficient monitoring of issues and development vital to the subject areas;
- (f) Serve as the collaborative mechanism for the government and private sector efforts to preserve and develop the subject areas; and
Perform other duties that may be assigned to it by the President.

Section 3. *Formulation of the Action Plan for the Immediate Concerns on the Mt. Makiling Reserve Area and Laguna de Bay Region.* An integrated Action Plan shall be formulated and implemented by the Commission for submission to and approval by the President, not later than 30 September 1993, to address the issues and concerns affecting the subject areas under the immediate term.

Section 4. *Formulation of the Master Plans for the Mt. Makiling Reserve Area and Laguna de Bay Region.* The Commission shall also formulate and submit to the President for approval, not later than 31 March 1994, Master Plans for the preservation and development of the subject areas under the long-term.

Section 5. *Moratorium.* Effective immediately, there shall be a moratorium in the issuance of new land development permits, clearances or concessions, in the subject areas, as well as the issuance of permits for the construction and operation of fishpens and fishcages in the Laguna Lake, and the lease, sale or other mode of disposition involving portions or the adjacent portions of the Mt. Makiling Reserve Area.

The Commission shall recommend and provide guidelines for the lifting of this moratorium after the Master Plans for the subject areas shall have been put in place.

Section 6. *Submission of Regular Progress Reports.* The Commission, through its Chairman, shall submit a monthly report of its activities to the Office of the President.

Section 7. *Funding.* The amount of One Million Pesos (P1,000,000.00), to be drawn equally from the President's Contingent Fund and funds of the DENR, shall be released for the operations of the Commission for 1993, subject to existing auditing and accounting regulations. Appropriations for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposals under the Office of the President.

Section 8. *Repealing Clause.* All executive issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

Section 9. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 122
PROVIDING FOR THE SURRENDER AND LICENSING OF LOOSE FIREARMS AND
ESTABLISHING A CENTRAL RECORDS UNIT FOR ALL FIREARMS

WHEREAS, there is a rising incidence of crimes committed with the use of loose or unlicensed firearms;

WHEREAS, the reports from law enforcement agencies reveal that there is still a big number of unlicensed firearms, including those which have not been re-registered pursuant to Presidential National Emergency Memorandum Order No. 6 dated January 4, 1990 which are already deemed unlicensed firearms, majority of which may be in the possession of persons who may be desirous of surrendering or licensing the same in accordance with existing laws; and

WHEREAS, it is consistent with the national interest to give these holders of unlicensed firearms the opportunity to obtain licenses therefor within a limited period of time.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Any person who possesses any firearm without license as required by P.D. No. 1866 and its implementing rules and regulations, to include those whose licenses have expired beyond six (6) months, may within a period of three (3) months from the effectivity of this Executive Order, surrender the same to the Philippine National Police and apply for license to possess the same, provided that he is qualified to possess the firearm in accordance with existing laws and regulations.

Section 2. Any person who surrenders his firearm may, for a period of six (6) months from the date of surrender, transfer the same to any qualified individual, firm or corporation, subject to the approval of the Chief, Philippine National Police.

Section 3. All Memorandum Receipts for government firearms and the corresponding Mission Orders previously issued to private persons are hereby cancelled and recalled immediately. Henceforth, Memorandum Receipts for government-owned firearms, and Mission Orders covering the same shall be issued only to organic government personnel while in the performance of their official duties, pursuant to P.D. No. 1866 and its implementing rules and regulations.

Section 4. The Firearms and Explosives Office (FEO) of the Philippine National Police, as the final repository and sole clearing house of all records and information pertaining to firearms and ammunition, pursuant to P.D. No. 1866 and implementing rules and regulations, shall computerize all its records within a period of six (6) months from the effectivity of this Executive Order.

Section 5. To complete and update the firearms records of the FEO, all government agencies, including government-owned or controlled corporations, and all local government units shall submit to the FEO a complete inventory of all firearms procured by them. Likewise, the Bureau of Customs shall submit to the FEO reports on all previous and subsequent firearms importations.

Failure to comply herewith shall be dealt with severely under existing rules and regulations.

Section 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 13th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 122-A
LIMITING THE INITIAL COVERAGE OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 122
ENTITLED “PROVIDING FOR THE SURRENDER AND LICENSING OF LOOSE FIREARMS
AND ESTABLISHING A CENTRAL RECORDS UNIT FOR ALL FIREARMS”
TO UNRE-REGISTERED FIREARMS AND PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATIONAL COST
OF THE COMPUTERIZATION OF FIREARMS RECORDS

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 122 dated September 13, 1993 grants a fixed period of three months from its effectivity within which all loose firearms, which include all firearms which were never registered and those firearms which had been registered but not re-registered pursuant to Presidential Emergency Memorandum Order No. 6 dated January 4, 1990, may be surrendered to the authorities and registered;

WHEREAS, it is imperative in the interest of public safety to give priority to the surrender and registration of all firearms which had been previously registered but not re-registered under existing law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Within the period fixed in Executive Order No. 122 dated September 13, 1993, the provisions of said Executive Order shall apply initially to those persons who have in their possession firearms which have not been re-registered pursuant to Presidential Emergency Memorandum No. 6 dated January 4, 1990.

SECTION 2. The cost of computerization of firearms records pursuant to Section 4 of Executive Order No. 122 shall be part of operational costs chargeable against the special fund under R.A. No. 6963.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.**
Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 122-B

PROVIDING FOR THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 122 DATED SEPTEMBER 13, 1993 AND EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR THE REGISTRATION OF LOOSE FIREARMS AND UNRE-REGISTERED FIREARMS.

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 122 dated September 13, 1993 provided for the surrender of loose and unre-registered firearms within a period of three (3) months from effectivity thereof;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 122-A dated October 26, 1993 limited the initial coverage of Executive Order No. 122 thereby giving priority to the registration of firearms which were not re-registered under existing law;

WHEREAS, in the interest of public safety, it is imperative to make an account of, and register, all loose firearms in the country;

WHEREAS, the drive for the registration of loose firearms and unregistered firearms is providing substantial results especially among many prospective registrants in remote areas who have expressed the need for more time to register their firearms;

WHEREAS, in cognizance of the public's request and to fully and effectively implement Executive Order No. 122, it is necessary to extend the period for the surrender, registration and licensing of loose and unregistered firearms;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Executive Order No. 122 dated September 13, 1993 providing for the surrender and licensing of loose firearms and those not re-registered under existing law, but whose initial coverage was limited to unre-registered firearms by virtue of Executive Order No. 122-A dated October 26, 1993, is now hereby declared to be fully implementable. Accordingly, any person who possesses any firearm without license as required by P.D. No. 1866 and its implementing rules and regulations may surrender and register the same in accordance with the provisions of the Executive Order No. 122 not later than 8 September 1994.

SEC. 2. Any person who surrenders the loose firearm may apply for a license to possess the same if qualified, or transfer the firearms to any qualified individual, firm or corporation, subject to the approval of the Chief, Philippine National Police, not later than 8 September 1994.

SEC. 3. Any person who failed to re-register his firearm pursuant to Executive Order No. 122-A may still register the same within the same period provided in Section 1 hereof.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 28th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 123
INSTITUTIONALIZING THE COMMITTEE ON
POWER CONSERVATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to ensure a continuous, adequate, and economic supply of energy with the end in view of ultimately achieving self-reliance in the country's energy requirements through, among others, the judicious conservation, renewal, and efficient utilization of energy to keep pace with the country's growth and economic development;

WHEREAS, there is a need for continuing efforts to promote and adopt energy conservation measures through a coordinative, consultative, and mutually-supportive implementation mechanism that would at the same time produce an environment conducive to free and active private sector participation in energy conservation activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Creation and Composition. - The Committee on Power Conservation and Demand Management, hereinafter referred to as the Committee, is hereby established as a regular and permanent body with the Chairman of the Council of Advisers on Energy Affairs as its Chairman and at least one representative from each of the following agencies as members:

- a. Department of Energy;
- b. Department of Education, Culture, and Sports;
- c. Department of Trade and Industry;
- d. Department of Interior and Local Government;
- e. Department of Labor and Employment;
- f. Metro Manila Authority;
- g. National Power Corporation;
- h. Philippine National Oil Corporation; and the
- i. National Electrification Administration.

To promote an environment conducive to free and active private sector participation in energy conservation activities, the Chairman may invite representatives from the private sector to serve as members of the Committee for such period as he may deem appropriate. Such private sector representatives may include representatives from the Manila Electric Company and other private electric utilities, a non-governmental organization (NGO), the broadcast media, and the print media.

SEC. 2. Powers and Functions. The Committee shall:

- a. undertake information dissemination campaigns to create greater awareness of power conservation measures;

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- b. promote an environment that will be conducive to free and active private sector participation and initiatives in power conservation activities, particularly in efficient power generation, utilization, and demand management;
 - c. encourage the use of generator sets at specific periods and in particular situations and the application of other innovative efficient power utilization schemes;
 - d. provide research, monitoring, and feedback with respect to power consumption in both the public and private sectors for purposes of issuing, from time to time, guidelines to achieve energy savings;
 - e. mobilize funds for the execution of the Committee's objectives; and
 - f. perform such other tasks that may be necessary and incidental to the implementation of this Executive Order.

SEC. 3. SubCommittees and Task Forces. - The Committee may form such subcommittees and task forces as may be necessary for the effective performance of its functions. Such subcommittees and task forces may include, among others, a Task Force on Households, a Task Force on Industrial and Commercial Establishments, a Subcommittee on Research and Monitoring.

SEC. 4. Implementing Guidelines and Programs. - The Department of Energy in coordination with the Committee shall develop the appropriate implementing programs and promulgate the necessary implementing guidelines for the accomplishment of the objectives of this Executive Order.

SEC. 5. Relationship with Government Agencies, NGOs, and other Private Entities. - The Committee is hereby authorized to call on and mobilize any government agency and instrumentality (including local government units, government owned or controlled corporations, schools, and institutions of learning), as well as non-governmental organizations and other private entities, for support and assistance in the implementation of this Executive Order.

SEC. 6. Repealing Clause. - All presidential acts, letters of instructions, executive orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 7. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 8th day of **September**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 124

ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES AND PROCEDURES IN EVALUATING AREAS PROPOSED FOR LAND CONVERSION IN REGIONAL AGRI-INDUSTRIAL CENTERS/REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL CENTERS, TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREAS AND SITES FOR SOCIALIZED HOUSING

WHEREAS, EO 129-A and RA 6657 or the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law empower the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) to approve or disapprove land use conversion;

WHEREAS, RA 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991 empowers cities and municipalities to reclassify agricultural lands to non-agricultural uses and formulate their comprehensive land use plans;

WHEREAS, RA 7279 of the Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992 mandates the various local government units to identify sites for socialized housing and their integration into Comprehensive Land Use Plans and Zoning Ordinances of their respective cities or municipalities;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 20 or Interim Guidelines on Agricultural Land Use Conversion (Series 1992) provides that all irrigated and economically irrigable lands covered by irrigation projects with firm funding commitments shall be non-negotiable for conversion;

WHEREAS, the Medium Term Philippine Development Plan (MTPDP), 1993-1998, identifies major industrial and tourism development programs that would promote development in the different regions of the country;

WHEREAS, LOI 1350 Providing for the Institutional Framework for National Physical Planning mandates the creation of the National Land Use Committee to serve as the coordinative mechanism for land use and physical planning at the national and regional levels;

WHEREAS, EO 72 Providing for the Preparation and Implementation of the Comprehensive Land Use Plans of Local Government Units Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991 and Other Pertinent Laws mandates the establishment of a Provincial Land Use Committee in every province to assist the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in reviewing the comprehensive land use plans of component cities and municipalities;

WHEREAS, while there is a need to allocate land for non-agricultural areas, there is also a need to promote the judicious use of land and other physical resources based on the principle of sustainable development;

WHEREAS, priorities and procedures for evaluating areas for land conversion are being established for the purpose of preserving prime agricultural lands while at the same time facilitating the conversion process for priority government projects as identified in the MTPDP as well as guiding developments in various parts of the country;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby direct the compliance by all agencies and local government units concerned of the following:

SECTION 1. Definition of Priority Development Areas for Land Conversion.

Priority development areas for land conversion are (a) specific sites in regional agri-industrial centers/regional industrial centers (RAICs/RICs) identified by the Department of Trade and Industry

(DTI) and the Department of Agriculture (DA); (b) tourism development areas (TDAs) identified by the Department of Tourism (DOT) as indicated in the current Medium Term Philippine Development Plan, and (c) sites identified by the local government units (LGUs) for socialized housing, which are presently used for agricultural purposes and which need conversion approval from the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR).

SECTION 2. Institutional Mechanisms and Procedures for Evaluation of Priority Development Areas.

2.1. Sites in RAICs/RICs and Tourism Development Areas

(a) The Regional Land Use Committees (RLUCs) shall be primarily responsible for the evaluation of priority development areas for land conversion as identified by the DTI, DA and DOT. The evaluation shall be undertaken in close coordination with Local Government Units (LGUs) concerned. For this purpose, the Regional Development Councils (RDCs) and the Cordillera Executive Board (CEB) of the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) are hereby ordered to convene their respective RLUCs. The Regional Planning and Development Board (RPDB) of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) is likewise ordered to do the same.

(b) The Regional Director of the National Economic and Development Authority shall serve as Chairman of the RLUC, except in the case of the ARMM where the Head of the Regional Planning and Development Office (RPDO) shall serve as the RLUC Chairman. The RLUCs shall have as members the Regional directors of the Departments of Agriculture, Agrarian Reform, Environment and Natural Resources, Interior and Local Governments, Public Works and Highways, Science and Technology, Transportation and Communications, Trade and Industry, Tourism, and the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board. In addition, it shall have two representatives from non-government organizations, people's organizations and the private sector to be selected by their respective RDC, CEB or RPDB. For this purpose, the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) shall be the Co-Chairman. In addition, a Vice-Chairman shall be selected from among the members of the RLUC.

(c) The RLUCs are empowered to call upon any government agency, including government owned or controlled corporations and other government entities, to assist in their work.

(d) The RLUCs and concerned government agencies shall evaluate whether the priority development areas for land conversion are: i) non-negotiable for conversion, as provided for in AO 20, s. 1992, as determined by the Department of Agriculture (DA); and ii) already distributed subject to Sec. 65 of RA 6657 or covered by a notice of acquisition or voluntarily offered for coverage under the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP), as determined by the DAR. In case a site falls within these areas, alternative industrial or tourism sites shall be identified by the RLUC in close coordination with concerned LGU and lead agencies.

(e) The RLUCs, through their respective RDCs, CEB or RPDB, shall submit their recommendations to the National Land Use Committee (NLUC) within three months upon submission of the proposed sites. Thereafter, the NLUC shall make the necessary recommendations for the review and approval of the DAR Secretary.

2.2 Sites for Socialized Housing

(a) The local government units, through the Local Development Council Technical Secretariat, in coordination with the HUDCC, National Housing Authority (NHA), the Housing and Land

Use Regulatory Board (HLURB), the National Mapping Resources and Information Authority (NAMRIA), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)/Land Management Bureau (LMB) shall identify lands for socialized housing for the immediate and future needs of the underprivileged and homeless. For this purpose, the City Planning and Development Office/Municipal Planning and Development Office (CPDO/MPDO) shall use the site selection criteria provided under the “Guidelines for the Inventory of Lands and Sites for Socialized Housing” under RA 7279 as circularized in DILG Memorandum Circular No. 90-03 dated 06 January 1993.

(b) In competent cities and municipalities, the Provincial Land Use Committee (PLUC), organized pursuant to EO No. 72 s. 1993, shall assist the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in the review and evaluation of sites identified as suitable for socialized housing.

In highly urbanized and independent component cities, the RLUC shall review and evaluate sites identified as suitable for socialized housing.

(c) The RLUC/PLUC shall evaluate whether the identified sites for socialized housing subject for land conversion are: i) non-negotiable for conversion, as provided for in AO 20 s. 1992, as determined by the DA; and ii) already distributed subject to Sec. 65 of RA 6657 or covered by a notice of acquisition or voluntarily offered for coverage under the CARP, as determined by the DAR. In case a site falls within these areas, alternative sites for socialized housing shall be identified by the LGU concerned.

(d) The RLUC/PLUC shall call upon the concerned CPDO/MPDO or any government agency, including government owned or controlled corporations and other government entities, to assist in its work.

(e) The PLUC shall submit the results of its evaluation to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan within 3 months upon submission of the proposed sites identified by the LGUs. The Sangguniang Panlalawigan shall in turn submit the recommended sites for socialized housing which need land use conversion to the DAR Secretary for consideration. Likewise, the RLUC shall submit the results of its evaluation to their respective RDC, CEB, or RPDB within 3 months upon receipt of the proposed sites identified by the concerned LGUs. The RDC, CEB or RPDB shall then submit the recommended sites for socialized housing which need land use conversion to the DAR Secretary for consideration.

SECTION 3. All priority development areas shall form part of the maximum allowable limits provided under Sec. 20 of RA 7160. Furthermore, in case the total agricultural land area of a specific site exceeds the maximum allowable limits as provided for in Sec. 20 of the LGC, as determined by the HLURB in coordination with the DA and DAR, the NEDA Secretariat shall make the necessary recommendation to the President.

SECTION 4. The DAR, DA and the NEDA Secretariat, in coordination with concerned agencies shall conduct an annual review of the mechanism and the process for evaluation as well as the status of conversion in regional agri-industrial center/regional industrial centers, tourism development areas, and sites for socialized housing. If, in the course of said review, the need to utilize irrigable lands or non-viable irrigated systems for non-agricultural purposes becomes evident, the Cabinet Cluster on Agri-Industrial Development may recommend their utilization for non-agricultural purposes, subject to the conditions agreed upon by the Cluster, and subject further, to final approval by the President.

SECTION 5. All other applications for land conversion shall continue to be governed by existing rules and procedures of the DAR.

SECTION 6. The DAR and the NEDA Secretariat shall jointly issue guidelines to implement this Order.

SECTION 7. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 1 - 125]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 125
DEFINING THE APPROACH AND ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE
FOR GOVERNMENT'S COMPREHENSIVE PEACE EFFORTS

WHEREAS, a primary objective of Government is the attainment of a just, comprehensive and lasting peace under the Rule of Law and in accordance with Constitutional processes, which is the basic foundation for economic development and national prosperity;

WHEREAS, the National Unification Committee, by virtue of its mandate under Executive Order No. 19, has submitted recommendations to the President for the pursuit of a peace process envisioned to lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the country;

WHEREAS, the term of the National Unification Commission ended on 31 July 1993; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive peace process demands a wholistic approach that will require the cooperative efforts of all sectors of society.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. *Scope*. The systematic approach for the pursuit of peace, as well as the administrative structure for carrying out the peace process, shall be governed by this Executive Order.

Section 2. *Principles Underlying the Comprehensive Peace Process*. The Comprehensive peace process shall be governed by the following underlying principles:

- (a) A comprehensive peace process should be community-based, reflecting the sentiments, values and principles important to all Filipinos. Thus, it shall be defined not by Government alone, nor by the different contending groups only, but by all Filipinos as one community.
- (b) A comprehensive peace process aims to forge a new social compact for a just, equitable, humane and pluralistic society. It seeks to establish a genuinely pluralistic political society, where all individuals and groups are free to engage in peaceful competition for predominance of their political programs without fear, through the exercise of rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution, and where they may compete for political power through an electoral system that is free, fair and honest.
- (c) A comprehensive peace process seeks a principled and peaceful resolution of the internal armed conflicts, with neither blame nor surrender, but with dignity for all concerned.

Section 3. *Components of the Comprehensive Peace Process*. The comprehensive peace process shall henceforth include, but shall not be limited to, the following components:

- (a) **PURSUIT OF SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL REFORMS**. This component shall involve the vigorous implementation of various policies, reforms, programs and projects aimed at addressing the root causes of internal armed conflicts and social unrest. This may require administrative action, new legislation, or even constitutional amendments.

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- (b) **CONSENSUS-BUILDING AND EMPOWERMENT FOR PEACE.** This component shall include continuing consultations on both national and local levels to build consensus for a peace agenda and process, and the mobilization and facilitation of people's participation in the peace process.
 - (c) **PEACEFUL, NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT WITH THE DIFFERENT REBEL GROUPS.** This component involves the conduct of face-to-face negotiations to reach peaceful settlement with the different rebel groups.
 - (d) **PROGRAMS FOR RECONCILIATION, REINTEGRATION INTO MAINSTREAM SOCIETY, AND REHABILITATION.** This component shall include programs to address the legal status and security of former rebels, as well as community-based assistance programs to address the economic, social and psychological rehabilitation needs of former rebels, demobilized combatants, and civilian victims of the internal armed conflicts.
 - (e) **ADDRESSING CONCERNS ARISING FROM THE CONTINUING ARMED HOSTILITIES.** This component involves the strict implementation of laws and policy guidelines, and the institution of programs to ensure the protection of non-combatants and reduce the impact of the armed conflict on communities found in conflict areas.
 - f **BUILDING AND NURTURING A CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO PEACE.** This component shall include peace advocacy and peace education programs, and the implementation of various confidence-building measures.

Section 4. **Administrative Structure.** The administrative structure for carrying out the peace process shall be as follows:

- a **THE PRESIDENCY.** The President shall provide the active leadership for the pursuit of the comprehensive peace process.
 - b) **PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER ON THE PEACE PROCESS.** The Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (PAPP) shall be charged with the management and supervision of the comprehensive peace process. He shall be appointed by the President and shall have the rank and remuneration of a Cabinet member. He shall perform the functions and discharge the duties and responsibilities enumerated in Memorandum Order No. 163 dated 25 August 1993.
 - (c) **NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.** The National Reconciliation and Development Council (NRDC) shall perform the functions and responsibilities relative to the implementation of the reconciliation program for surfacing rebels.
 - (d) **GOVERNMENT PEACE NEGOTIATING PANELS.** There shall be a Government Peace Negotiating Panel (GPNP) for each of the three rebel groups, to be composed of a Chairman and four (4) members who shall be appointed/designated by the President as his official emissary to conduct negotiations, dialogues and face-to-face discussions with rebel groups. They shall report directly to the President on the conduct and progress of their negotiations.
 - (e) **PANEL OF ADVISERS.** There shall be a panel of advisers for each of the GPNPs, composed of a member from the Senate, from the House of Representatives and from the Cabinet to be designated by the President, which shall function as an advisory
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body to their respective GPNPs on the conduct of their negotiations leading to the achievement of a comprehensive, just and lasting peace.

Section 5. *Secretariat.* The PAPP shall be provided with technical and administrative support by a Secretariat. The GPNPs shall each be provided technical support by a Negotiating Secretariat under the direct control and supervision of the respective Panel Chairmen.

Administrative support services for the GPNPs shall be provided by the PAPP Secretariat.

The PAPP and the GPNPs shall be authorized to organize their Technical Committee and to hire consultants.

Section 6. *Funding.* The Office of the PAPP and the GPNPs shall be funded with an initial budget to be taken from the President's Contingent Fund in an amount to be recommended by the Department of Budget and Management and approved by the President. Appropriations for succeeding years shall be incorporated in budget proposals of the Office of the President.

Section 7. *Agency Support.* The PAPP and the Chairmen of each GPNP are authorized to call on all departments, agencies of the government, including government-owned or controlled corporations, to actively assist in the effective and efficient implementation of the comprehensive peace process.

Section 8. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* Subject to the approval of the Office of the President, the PAPP shall promulgate the necessary implementing rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order.

Section 9. *Transition Mechanism.* Until such time that the Secretariat for the peace process is fully organized and operational, the NUC Secretariat created under Executive Order No. 19 (s. 1992) shall continue to provide staff support to the PAPP in the implementation of the comprehensive peace process. It shall be under the direct control and supervision of the PAPP. The NUC Secretariat is authorized to continue receiving, disbursing and accounting for funds released for the peace process. Until new funds as defined under Section 6 of this Executive Order are released for the peace process, the NUC Secretariat shall advance funding support from its own budget for the operations of the PAPP and the GPNPs.

All assets, funds, records, equipment, facilities, other properties, choses in action, as well as the personnel of the NUC Secretariat are hereby transferred to the Secretariat of the PAPP.

Section 10. *Repealing Clause.* All executive orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 11. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 15th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 126

LIFTING THE BAN ON MINING OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN PALAWAN,
THE CALAMIAN GROUP OF ISLANDS AND THE AREAS AROUND MALAMPAYA SOUND

WHEREAS, on March 22, 1976, a Presidential Directive was issued banning mining operations within Northern Palawan, the Calamian Group of Islands and the areas around Malampaya Sound in view of the oil exploration activities being conducted thereat;

WHEREAS, by virtue of said Presidential Directive, registration of declarations of location covering said areas were suspended and processing of lease applications affecting registered declarations of location were held in abeyance;

WHEREAS, in a memorandum dated August 17, 1983, the Director of Mines and Geosciences Bureau recommended to the President of the Philippines that applications for mining lease and other permits covering silica resources in Northern Palawan which were filed and existing prior to the issuance of Presidential Directive of March 22, 1976 be given due course since extensive exploration and geological surveys conducted in said areas indicated that oil bearing zones are confined only to offshore areas and that the land areas are geologically considered non-prospective for oil;

WHEREAS, said recommendation was approved by the President of the Philippines per memorandum dated November 15, 1983;

WHEREAS, Letter of Instructions No. 1508 addressed to the Minister of Natural Resources and Director of Mines and Geosciences, dated January 15, 1986, was issued lifting the ban on silica sand mining for small-scale mining purposes in Northern Palawan, including the Calamian Group of Islands and the areas around Malampaya Sound;

WHEREAS, said areas were open only to mining location, exploration, development and exploitation within the purview of P.D. No. 1899 to accelerate the national economic recovery program through conservation of foreign exchange reserves, increase in foreign exchange earnings through the exploitation of non-traditional mineral, and to improve the economic well being of Northern Palawan through the concept of self-employment and to give full meaning to the intents of P.D. No. 1899, otherwise known as the "Small-Scale Mining Decree of 1984," giving opportunities even to the poor sectors of the society to participate in the development and exploitation of nation's mineral resources;

WHEREAS, on September 29, 1987, DENR Secretary Fulgencio S. Factoran, Jr., thru the recommendation of Undersecretary Celso R. Roque, directed the Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) and the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) to prepare an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), whereby the results of this study will serve as the basis for the guidelines of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) for lifting the ban on mining operations in Northern Palawan, the Calamian Group of Islands and the areas around Malampaya Sound;

WHEREAS, EIA revealed that the ban on mining operations in said areas may be lifted in specific areas provided that the mining proponents shall obtain Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) and Environmental Compliance Certificates for exploration, development and utilization of minerals from the concerned government agency;

WHEREAS, the lifting of the ban is in line with the government's objectives to encourage the exploitation of the nation's mineral resources and to generate employment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order the lifting of the ban on mining operations within Northern Palawan, the Calamian Group of Islands and the areas around Malampaya Sound and open the same to mineral exploration, development and utilization of all minerals found therein within the purview of P.D. No. 1899 as well as under Executive Order No. 279, otherwise known as the “Mineral Production Sharing Agreement,” except those established and proposed parks and reservations in aforesaid areas, such as:

- a) Honda Bay Marine Park, Puerto Princesa
- b) Saint Paul Park, Puerto Princesa
- c) Cleopatra’s Needle, Puerto Princesa
- d) Port Barton Marine Park, San Vicente
- e) Malampaya Sound
- f) Lake Maguao, Taytay
- g) El Nido Marine Park, El Nido

All issuances, rules and regulations or any part thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 15th of September, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 127
REDEFINING THE FUNCTIONS OF THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS COUNCIL OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS

WHEREAS, Section 2 (1), Article XIV of the Constitution provides that the State shall “[e]stablish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society;”

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 806 (1982) created the Textbook Council for “the formulation of policies on and the selection of textbooks, supplementary and reference books in the public elementary and secondary schools, as well as the approval of textbooks for private elementary and secondary schools;”

WHEREAS, the General Appropriations Acts of 1983 and 1984 (B.P. Nos. 230 and 640, respectively,) referred to an Instructional Materials Council instead of a Textbook Council;

WHEREAS, on 13 November 1985, the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports (MECS) issued MECS Order No. 64 (s. 1985) which specifically stated that the Textbook Council “has been renamed the Instructional Materials Council in the annual appropriations for 1983 and 1984;”

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 117 (1987) and Executive Order No. 292, otherwise known as the Administrative Code of 1987, provided for the attachment of the Instructional Materials Council to the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS); and

WHEREAS, there is a need to revitalize the Instructional Materials Council by redefining its functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Instructional Materials Council, hereafter referred to as the “Council”, which is an attached agency of the Department of Education, Culture and Sports and which was established primarily as the policy-making agency on textbooks, supplementary and reference books, and other instructional materials for use in elementary and secondary schools, shall have the following functions:

- a. Select and prescribe textbooks and supplementary and reference books for use in public elementary and secondary schools, consistent with the curricula approved by the Department of Education, Culture and Sports;
 - b. Approve textbooks for use in private elementary and secondary schools;
 - c. Determine the prescriptive life of textbooks;
 - d. Formulate and adopt policies, guidelines and priorities for the development and production of textbooks, supplementary and reference books, and other instructional materials for use in public elementary and secondary schools consistent with the curricula, courses of study and relevant policies established by the Department of Education, Culture and Sports;
 - e. Adopt criteria and standards for the fair and objective evaluation of textbook manuscripts and other instructional materials submitted for its review and consideration; and
 - f. Adopt rules and regulations for its operations
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Section 2. The Council shall be composed of:

- a. The Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports, as Chairman;
- b. The Administrator of the Instructional Materials Development Center or his duly authorized representative;
- c. The Director of Elementary Education;
- d. The Director of Secondary Education; and
- e. Two (2) other members to be appointed by the President, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports.

The two (2) appointive members of the Council shall serve for a term of four (4) years, *provided, that*, the incumbent appointive members of the Council shall continue in office until the termination of their respective terms, unless they resign or are removed for cause, *provided further, that*, appointment to any vacancy in the Council shall only be for the unexpired portion of the term of the predecessor.

Appointment to the Council may be extended only to citizens of the Philippines, not less than thirty-five (35) years of age, with at least a master's degree or its equivalent in terms of professional experience, status and achievements.

Section 3. The Council shall, in the exercise of its powers and functions, maintain close coordination with the Instructional Materials Development Center, which is the Council's implementing arm.

Section 4. The Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports may promulgate such rules, and regulations and other issuances as may be necessary to ensure the efficient and effective implementation of this Executive Order.

Section 5. All executive issuances or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby amended, modified or repealed accordingly.

Section 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 128
RECONSTITUTING THE COMMITTEE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE
NATIONAL CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS IN 1998

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 223, dated 13 June 1991, created the Committee for the Preparation of the National Centennial Celebrations in 1998, to be composed of six (6) representatives from the Presidential Commission for Culture and Arts and five (5) representatives from the Philippine Centennial Foundation, Inc. who shall be appointed by the President upon their nomination by their respective groups;

WHEREAS, there is a need to strengthen the said Committee to ensure a more coordinated and synchronized celebrations of the Philippine Centennial and wider participation from the government and non-government or private organizations; and

WHEREAS, there is also a need to rationalize the relevance of historical links with other countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order, as follows:

Section 1. The Committee for the Preparation of the National Centennial Celebrations in 1998 shall hereinafter be called the National Centennial Commission. It is hereby reconstituted to be composed of the following:

- (a) Former Vice-President Salvador H. Laurel;
Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports;
Secretary of National Defense;
Secretary of the Interior and Local Government;
Secretary of Tourism;
Secretary of Trade and Industry;
Secretary of Public Works and Highways;
Secretary of Transportation and Communications;
- (i) Secretary of Budget and Management;
- (j) Press Secretary;
- (k) Two (2) representatives each from the Senate and the House of Representatives to be designated by the Senate President and Speaker of the House;
- (l) Two (2) representatives from the Judiciary to be designated by the Chief Justice;
- (m) The Executive Director of the National Historical Institute;
- (n) Three (3) representatives from the National Commission for Culture and Arts;
- (o) Three (3) representatives from the Philippine Centennial Foundation, Inc.; and
- (p) Other members from the government and the private sectors, as may be designated later.

The Chairman of the Commission shall be former Vice-President Salvador H. Laurel. The President shall designate the Vice-Chairman and the private sector members of the Commission.

The Honorary Chairpersons of the Commission shall be former Presidents Diosdado M. Macapagal and Corazon C. Aquino.

Section 2. The Commission shall take charge of the nationwide preparations for the National Celebration of the Philippine Centennial of the Declaration of Philippine Independence and the Inauguration of the Malolos Congress. For this purpose, it shall have the following functions:

- (a) To undertake the overall study, conceptualization, formulation and implementation of programs and projects on the utilization of culture, arts, literature and media as vehicles for history, economic endeavors, and reinvigorating the spirit of national unity and sense of accomplishment in every Filipino in the context of the Centennial Celebrations. In this regard, it shall include a Philippine National Exposition '98 within Metro Manila, the original eight provinces, and Clark Air Base as its major venues;
- b) To act as principal coordinator for all the activities related to awareness and celebration of the Centennial;
- c) To serve as the clearing house for the preparation and dissemination of all information about the plans and events for the Centennial Celebrations;
- d) To constitute working groups which shall undertake the implementation of the programs and projects;
- e) To prioritize the refurbishment of historical sites and structures nationwide. In this regard, the Commission shall formulate schemes (e.g. lease-maintain-and-transfer, build-operate-transfer, and similar arrangements) to ensure the preservation and maintenance of the historical sites and structures;
- f) To call upon any government agency or instrumentality and corporation, and to invite private individuals and organizations to assist it in the performance of its tasks; and,
- g) Submit regular reports to the President on the plans, programs, projects, activities as well as the status of the preparations for the Celebration.

Section 3. The Commission shall be provided with technical and administrative staff support by a Secretariat to be composed of, among others, detailed personnel from the President Management Staff, the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, and the National Historical Institute. Said Secretariat shall be headed by a full time Executive Director who shall be designated by the President.

Section 4. The Commission shall be funded with an initial budget to be drawn from the Department of Tourism and the President's Contingent Fund, in an amount to be recommended by the Commission, and approved by the President. Appropriations for succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget of the Office of the President.

Section 5. The Commission shall be an ad-hoc body and its existence shall terminate upon the completion of all activities related to the Centennial Celebrations.

Section 6. The Commission shall prepare, for approval of the President, a Comprehensive Plan for the Centennial Celebrations within six (6) months from the effectivity of this Executive Order.

Section 7. Administrative Order No. 223 dated 13 June 1991 and all executive issuances inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

Section 8. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 4th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 129
ESTABLISHING AN INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISM TO CURTAIL THE ACTIVITIES OF
PROFESSIONAL SQUATTING SYNDICATES AND PROFESSIONAL SQUATTERS AND
INTENSIFYING THE DRIVE AGAINST THEM

WHEREAS, it is imperative to arrest the proliferation of squatters in the urban areas, which is aggravated by the activities of squatting syndicates;

WHEREAS, there is a need to effect the identification and registration of the rightful beneficiaries of the Urban Development and Housing Act (UDHA), who will be affected by the urgent infrastructure projects of government as against professional squatters and squatting syndicates;

WHEREAS, UDHA mandates the Local Government Units (LGUs), the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and the Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor (PCUP) to identify and effectively curtail the nefarious and illegal activities of professional squatters and squatting syndicates, as well as to implement relocation and resettlement procedures;

WHEREAS, there is a need to protect the rightful beneficiaries of the UDHA from the squatter syndicates and professional squatters, who continuously prey on and victimize the former by sowing disinformation, collecting fees, and inflicting harassment;

WHEREAS, it is imperative to establish a mechanism that shall ensure compliance with the provisions of the UDHA and its implementing rules and regulations relative to demolition and eviction.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. DEFINITION OF TERMS

In accordance with the Urban Development Housing Act of 1992 (RA 7279), the following are hereby defined:

- 1.1 “Professional Squatters” refers to individuals or groups who occupy lands without the express consent of the landowner and who have sufficient income for legitimate housing. The term shall also apply to persons, who have previously been awarded homelots or housing units by the Government but who sold, leased or transferred the same and settled illegally in the same place or in another urban area, and non-bonafide occupants and intruders of lands reserved for socialized housing. The term shall not apply to individuals or groups, who simply rent land and housing from professional squatters or squatting syndicates.
- 1.2 Squatting syndicates refers to groups of persons engaged in the illegal business of squatter housing for profit or gain.

SEC. 2. CREATION OF COMMITTEE AGAINST SQUATTING SYNDICATES AND PROFESSIONAL SQUATTERS

2.1 National Committee

2.1.1 A National Committee Against Squatting Syndicates and Professional Squatters is hereby created composed of the following:

- a. Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)
- b. Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC)
- c. Department of Justice (DOJ)
- d. Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor (PCUP)
- e. Philippine National Police (PNP)
- f. National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)
- g. Representative of PCUP accredited National Urban Poor Organization
- h. Representative of a Non-Government Organization

DILG shall be the Chairman, HUDCC as Co-Chairman, and the remaining agencies as Members.

2.1.2 The Committee shall have the following functions:

- a. Oversee and coordinate government activities relative to the intensified drive against professional squatters and squatting syndicates.
- b. Recommend appropriate measures/actions to curtail the activities of professional squatters and squatting syndicates.
- c. Provide assistance to local government units in the implementation of UDHA provisions relative to squatting syndicates and professional squatters and make available, through the PNP and DOJ, a consolidated list of squatting syndicates and professional squatters.
- d. Update the Office of the President and submit reports thereof on the implementation of this EO.

2.2 Local Committee

2.2.1 All government units are hereby directed to create a Committee Against Squatting Syndicates and Professional Squatters composed of the following:

- a. The mayor of the concerned cities/municipalities with permanent alternate;
 - b. The local chief of PNP with permanent alternate;
 - c. Representative of the PCUP with permanent alternate;
 - d. President of the PCUP accredited urban poor organization with permanent alternate; and
 - e. A representative from the private sector who shall be chosen by the above members.
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2.2.2 The Committee shall have the following functions:

- a. Within 60 days from the effectivity of this Order, adopt the necessary measures to identify and effectively curtail the activities of professional squatters and squatting syndicates, including the names of public officials and/or private individuals or companies abetting or tolerating the commission of the act;
- b. Provide the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) and NHA copies of identified squatting syndicates and professional squatters in order to safeguard against their inclusion in future programs/projects and recommend disqualification in existing programs.
- c. Provide legal assistance to victims of professional squatters/syndicates and make available, through the PNP and DOJ, a consolidated list of squatting syndicates and professional squatters;
- d. File the necessary charges before the court or Prosecutor's Office;
- e. Undertake investigation on violation cases on demolition and eviction forwarded to it and recommend appropriate actions on the same to the concerned agencies.
- f. Monitor demolition and eviction activities; hence, it shall draw up and establish its monitoring system;
- g. Submit reports to the National Committee Office of the President, copy-furnish concerned agencies involved in the implementation of RA 7279; and
- h. Call on any government entities for assistance, if necessary.

SEC. 3. ACTION AGAINST OFFENDERS

The LGUs, upon recommendation of their local committees, shall summarily evict the offenders and demolish their dwelling structures.

The LGUs, PCUP, and PNP shall monitor and implement Section 30 of Republic Act No. 7279 regarding new illegal entrants, defined as those guilty of squatting after the effectivity of said Act.

The concerned agencies herein identified shall enforce Section 45 (Penalty Clause) of Republic Act No. 7279 on new illegal entrants.

4. REPEALING

All executive orders, rules, regulations and other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or accordingly modified.

5. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE

This Executive Order shall take effect upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation as provided by law.

Done in the City of Manila, this 15th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 130
INSTITUTING THE BALIK SCIENTIST PROGRAM UNDER
THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

WHEREAS, the Balik Scientist Program (“Program”) was established pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 819 dated 24 October 1975 for a period of five (5) years and was extended up to October 1986 by Letter of Instruction No. 1044 dated 18 July 1980;

WHEREAS, the Program allowed any foreign-based scientist, professional, technician, or any person with special skill or expertise who is of Filipino origin or descent to practice his/her profession or expertise in the Philippines provided he/she shall first register with the Professional Regulation Commission;

WHEREAS, Section 2, Chapter 1, Title XVIII, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 mandates the Department of Science and Technology to “formulate and implement policies, plans, programs, and projects for the development of science and technology and for the promotion of scientific and technological activities for both the public and private sectors and ensure that the results of scientific and technological activities are properly applied and utilized to accelerate economic and social development”;

WHEREAS, the Department of Science and Technology has approved the revival of the Program, with different features, as part of its Science and Technology, Human Resource Development Program;

WHEREAS, utilizing the expertise of expatriate Filipino scientists and technologists is a vital component of the Government’s industrialization efforts;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Government to encourage Filipino science and technology experts from abroad to return to the Philippines and share their expertise for the purpose of accelerating the industrial development of the country; and

WHEREAS, this renewed Program aims to strengthen the scientific and technological manpower of the academe and public and private institutions in order to promote information exchange and accelerate the flow of new technology into the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. A Balik Scientist Program is hereby instituted under the Department of Science and Technology.

Section 2. A Balik Scientist is a science or technology expert, as may be defined by the Department of Science and Technology, who is a Filipino citizen or a foreigner of Filipino descent, residing abroad and contracted by the National Government to return and work in the Philippines along his/her field of expertise for a short term with a duration of at least one (1) month (“Short-Term Program”) or long term with a duration of at least two (2) years (“Long-Term Program”).

Section 3. A Balik Scientist under the Short-Term Program may, through the Department of Science and Technology, be granted and/or avail of the following incentives:

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- a. Free round-trip economy airfare originating from a foreign country to the Philippines by direct route, and such other privileges given under the Short-Term Program implementing guidelines; and
 - b. Grants-in-aid for research and development projects approved by the Secretary of Science and Technology.

Section 4. A Balik Scientist under the Long-Term Program and returning new graduates from DOST-recognized science and technology foreign institutions may, through the Department of Science and Technology, be granted and/or avail of the following incentives:

- a. Free one-way economy airfare from a foreign country to the Philippines, including airfare for the spouse and two (2) minor dependents; free return trip economy airfare after completion of two (2) years in the case of Balik Scientists, and three (3) years in the case of new graduates;
 - b. Duty-free importation of professional instruments and implements, tools of trade, occupation or employment, wearing apparel, domestic animals, and personal and household effects in quantities and of the class suitable to the profession, rank or position of the persons importing them, for their own use and not for barter or sale, in accordance with Section 105 of the Tariff and Customs Code;
 - c. No-dollar importation of motor vehicles, provided that the importer complies with and is qualified in accordance with the Board of Investments' Guidelines on No-Dollar Importation of Second-Hand Motor Vehicles of Returning Residents/Immigrants and such other guidelines as may be issued by the Bureau of Import Services and the Department of Trade and Industry;
 - d. Exemption from payment of travel tax for Filipino permanent residents abroad in accordance with Section 2 of Presidential Decree No. 1183. Those not falling under the exempted categories of Section 2 of Presidential Decree No. 1183 may be exempted under Section 3 of Republic Act No. 6768 approved on 3 November 1989, otherwise known as the Balikbayan Program;
 - e. Reimbursement of freight expenses for the shipment of a car and personal effects; The family of the expert/new graduate shall be reimbursed the freight expenses for 2-1/2 tons volume weight for surface shipment of a car and personal effects. In addition, when travelling by air, the expert/new graduate is entitled to reimbursement for excess baggage not exceeding 20 kgs. per adult and 10 kgs. per minor dependent. Any excess shall be borne by the expert/new graduate;
 - f. Housing may be arranged through predetermined institutions;
 - g. Assistance in securing a certificate of registration without examination or an exemption from the licensure requirement of the Professional Regulation Commission to practice profession, expertise or skill in the Philippines in accordance with Section 5 of Presidential Decree No. 223 dated 22 June 1973, as amended by Presidential Decree No. 657 dated 19 February 1975;
 - h. Grants-in-aid for research and development projects approved by the Secretary of Science and Technology; and
 - i. The participants under this Program including their dependents, as certified by the Department of Science and Technology, shall be granted by the Secretary of Justice special non-immigrant visas under Section 47(a)(2) of the Philippine Immigration Act
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of 1940, as amended, after compliance with the requirements therefor. Said participants including their dependents shall be exempted from the payment of visa, immigration and registration fees in accordance with Section 251 of the Philippine Foreign Service Code of 1983.

The length of the validity of said visas and their extension shall be in accordance with the policy determined by the Secretary of Justice. The Secretary of Justice may refuse to grant a 47(a)(2) visa to restricted aliens.

Section 5. The incentives herein granted shall be financed through the programmed appropriations of the Department of Science and Technology for Assistance to Scientific Research and Development Activities with Local and Foreign Institutions, in accordance with the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 6. The Department of Science and Technology shall administer this Program and shall issue the implementing rules in consultation with the appropriate agencies to effectively implement the Program.

Section 7. The Secretary of Science and Technology may call on the heads of any of the departments, agencies and bureaus, including government-owned or controlled corporations, for the effective implementation of this Program.

Section 8. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 25th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 131
FACILITATING THE STATE FUNERAL OF DECEASED
NATIONAL ARTISTS AND NATIONAL SCIENTISTS

WHEREAS, National Artists and National Scientists are national heroes who, upon death, are entitled to state funeral, the arrangements for and the expenses of which shall be borne by the Government, upon death;

WHEREAS, State funeral for these purposes shall mean appropriate honors/ceremonies befitting the stature of the deceased;

WHEREAS, it is desirable to make more efficient the administrative functions and operations of the National Commission for Culture and Arts (NCCA), the National Academy of Science and Technology (NAST), and the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) in providing state funeral services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Upon the death of a National Artist or a National Scientist, the NCCA or the NAST respectively shall appoint a funeral director to arrange for the wake, necrological, and state funeral services with the immediate members of the family of the deceased;

SEC. 2. As may be appropriate, the Executive Director of the NCCA or the President of NAST shall inform the Chief of Presidential Protocol Officer and the Chief of Staff, AFP, about the death of a national artist or a national scientist providing information about the arrangements made for the state funeral;

SEC. 3. The necrological and interment services shall be conducted by the NCCA or NAST as the case may be with the AFP providing ceremonial elements;

SEC. 4. The NCCA and the NAST are directed to provide the AFP the lists of national artists and national scientists, update these periodically, and arrange modest accomodation for individuals who provide the ceremonial service;

SEC. 5. Any portion or provision of this Executive Order that may be declared unconstitutional shall not have the effect of nullifying the provisions thereof;

SEC. 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26 day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 132
APPROVING THE STREAMLINING OF THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for increased and efficient tax collection to support the economic development and growth of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, to achieve this goal, it is imperative that the Bureau of Internal Revenue, the government office tasked with the administration and enforcement of Philippine tax laws, be strengthened in order to establish public confidence in, and obtain maximum voluntary compliance with, Philippines tax laws and their administration;

WHEREAS, the streamlining of the organization and operations of the Bureau of Internal Revenue is necessary to decentralize its line functions, thereby strengthening its Regional and Revenue District Offices in the implementation and enforcement of tax laws;

WHEREAS, under Section 20, Book III of Executive Order No. 292, (Revised Administrative Code), the President is empowered to exercise such other powers and functions vested in him which are provided for under the laws;

WHEREAS, the President is empowered to approve changes in the reorganization under Section 63 of Executive Order No. 127 (Order reorganizing the Ministry of Finance) for the purpose of promoting efficiency and effectiveness in the delivery of public services;

WHEREAS, under Section 48 of the General Provisions of Republic Act No. 7645 (General Appropriations Act for FY 1993), heads of departments, bureaus and agencies are directed to scale down, phase out or abolish activities no longer essential in the delivery of public services; and

WHEREAS, under Section 62 of the General Provisions of Republic Act No. 7645, the President may direct changes in the organization and key positions in nay department, bureau or agency.

WHEREAS, as additional requirement for the fully integrated computerization of tax administration as recommended by the NEDA and approved by the President and the implementation of the 5-Year Bureau of Internal Revenue Computerization Program requires the direction, supervision and coordination of a Deputy Commissioner;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Streamlining of the Organization Structure. The organizational structure of the Bureau of Internal Revenue shall define clearly the functions and responsibilities of the National Office and those of the Regional Offices, as follows:

The National Office shall develop and formulate broad national tax administration policies and programs, for efficient and effective implementation of internal revenue laws and regulations and establish the general direction, guidance and control of the entire operations of internal revenue service. For this purpose, the following organizational changes are adopted:

The existing functional groups in the Bureau are restructured to effect the functional reorientation of the Services and divisions under them.

The Legal Service, which shall be headed by an Assistant Commissioner who shall be assisted by a Revenue Head Executive Assistant, is placed directly under the Office of the Commissioner, together with the Legislative, Ruling and Research Division (being renamed as Law Division) and Appellate Division. The Prosecution Division and Litigation Division are merged into the Litigation and Prosecution Division, and the Personnel Inquiry Division is transferred from the Inspection Service to the Legal Service.

The Intelligence and Investigation Office and the Inspection Service are abolished. An Intelligence and Investigation Service is hereby created to absorb the same functions of the abolished office and service. It shall be headed by an Assistant Commissioner who shall be assisted by a Revenue Head Executive Assistant. It is attached directly to the Office of the Commissioner together with the Tax Fraud Division. The Internal Security Division is transferred from the abolished Inspection Service to the Intelligence and Investigation Service. The Fiscal Control Division is abolished and its functions are transferred to the Performance Monitoring Service and decentralized to the Regional Offices.

- 2 The Assessment and Collection Group shall be renamed as the Operations Group and supervised by a Deputy Commissioner who shall be appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Secretary of Finance. This Group shall be composed of the following Services, each Service to be headed by an Assistant Commissioner who shall be assisted by a Revenue Head Executive Assistant.

- 2.1 Assessment Service - The existing National Audit Review Division and Tax Credit/Refund Division are abolished and their functions are transferred to the Regional Offices. The Assessment Performance Control Division is renamed Assessment Performance Audit Division and transferred to the Performance Monitoring Service. The Assessment Programs Division, Asset Valuation Division and Audit Data Bank Division are created under the Assessment Service.

- 1.2.2 Collection Service - The existing Collection Enforcement Division and Accounts Receivable/Billing Division are abolished and their functions are decentralized to the Revenue District Offices. The Collection Performance Evaluation Division is renamed Collection Performance Audit Division are transferred to the Performance Monitoring Service. The Withholding Tax Division is renamed Withholding Agents Monitoring Division under the Collection Service. The Revenue Accounting Division is transferred from the Financial Service to the Collection Service. The Collection Programs Division is created, and the Large Taxpayers Division is placed under the Collection Service.

The Performance Monitoring Service is created under the Operations Group which shall be headed by an Assistant Commissioner who shall be assisted by a Revenue Head Executive Assistant. The Regulatory Operations Monitoring Division is created under the Performance Monitoring Service. The Assessment

Performance Audit Division and the Collection Performance Audit Division are included in this Service.

The Excise Tax Service and all the divisions under it and the Special Operations Service and all the divisions under it, except the International Tax Affairs Division which is transferred to the Planning and Research Service, are abolished and their functions are decentralized to the Revenue District Offices.

2.5 The Revenue Regional Offices and Revenue District Offices shall report to this Group.

- 3 The Information Systems Group is created which shall be headed and supervised by a Deputy Commissioner who shall be appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Secretary of Finance. This Group shall be composed of the following Services, each Service to be headed by an Assistant Commissioner who shall be assisted by a Revenue Head Executive Assistant.

The Information Systems Operations Service is created with the following divisions: Network and Systems Operations Division, Document Processing Division and Field Technical Support Division.

The Information Systems Development Service is created with the following divisions: Systems Acquisition Division, Application Design and Development Division, Systems Programming and Database Management Division and Quality Assurance Division.

- 4 The Resource Management Group is created which shall be headed and supervised by a Deputy Commissioner who shall be appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Secretary of Finance. This Group shall be composed of the following Services, each to be headed by an Assistant Commissioner who shall be assisted by a Revenue Head Executive Assistant.

4. The Planning and Research Service - which is renamed as Management Planning Service. The Planning and Research Division is renamed as the Planning Division. The Management Information and Data Control System Division and Public Information and Assistance Division are renamed Management Division and Public Information and Education Division, respectively. The Statistical Analysis Division is renamed Statistics Division and transferred to the Planning and Research Service from the Financial Service.

4.2 The Financial Service and the Administrative Service are merged into the Financial and Administrative Service together with the following: Budget Division, Disbursement Accounting Division which is renamed Accounting Division, Records Division and Accountable Forms Division. The Property Division is merged with the General Services Division. The Procurement Division is created under the Financial and Administrative Service.

4.3 The Human Resource Development Service is created and shall have the following divisions: Personnel Division, Career Development Division which is renamed Training Division and Medical and Dental Division which are transferred to the Human Resource Development Service from the abolished

Administrative Service. The Career Management Division is created under the Human Resource Development Service.

- 4 The Computer Information Systems Service and its four divisions are all abolished.

- 2 The Regional Offices shall directly execute the national policies and programs prescribed by the Central Office for the enforcement of the internal revenue laws of the Philippines. They shall have supervision and control over the Revenue District Offices and shall be responsible for directing and coordinating their operations within the region.
 2. The Regional Offices shall be composed of the Office of the Regional Director, Finance Division, Administrative Division, Legal Division, Assessment Division, Collection Division and Special Investigation Division.
 - 2.2 The Revenue District Offices shall implement programs, methods and procedures necessary for the efficient, effective and economical assessment and collection of internal revenue taxes in the revenue district in accordance with the policies, standards and guidelines prescribed by the Central Office and the Revenue Regional Office.

SECTION 2. Redeployment of Personnel. The redeployment of officials and other personnel on the basis of the streamlining embodied in this Executive Order shall not result in the dislocation of existing personnel nor in the diminution of rank and compensation and shall take into account pertinent Civil Service Law and rules.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue shall submit to the Department of Budget and Management the realigned staffing pattern that shall complement its streamlined organization structure.

SECTION 3. Policy of Non-Extension of Services Beyond Compulsory Retirement Age. It shall be the policy of the Bureau of Internal Revenue not to allow any extension of service beyond the compulsory age of retirement in order not to disrupt the revenue service career system.

SECTION 4. Transfer of Presidential Appointees. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is hereby authorized to transfer and assign appointees of the President to positions or assignments of equivalent rank in the Bureau if the exigencies of the service so require.

SECTION 5. Funding. Funds needed to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order shall be taken from funds available in the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

SECTION 6. Implementing Authority. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue with the approval of the Secretary of Finance shall issue the rules and regulations and other issuances as may be necessary to ensure the effective implementation of the provisions of this Executive Order.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of October, in the Year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 133
DEVOLVING TO THE AUTONOMOUS REGIONAL GOVERNMENT
OF THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO THE POWERS AND
FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, THE CONTROL, AND SUPERVISION
OVER ITS OFFICES IN THE REGION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article III of Republic Act No. 6734 provides that “The Regional Government shall provide, maintain and ensure the delivery of basic health education and services”;

WHEREAS, the Oversight Committee created by virtue of Republic Act No. 6734, recognizing the primacy and importance of health, as a necessary pillar of the inhabitants of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, has recommended the devolution of powers and functions and that the offices of the Department of Health may be transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government to carry out its mandate.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Policies and Strategies to be Adopted. The Autonomous Regional Government (ARG) shall assume the following policies and strategies:

- a. Improved provision and utilization of accessible, appropriate and adequate basic health, nutrition and family planning services specially to the poor, underserved and high-risk groups;
- b. Strengthened and sustained effective collaboration with the private sector;
- c. Increase government resource allocation to the health, nutrition and family planning sectors and ensuring its proper and efficient utilization; and
- d. Strengthened manpower development, information and research-based decision-making and implementation process.

Sec. 2. General Powers and Functions. The following powers and functions of the Department of Health (DOH), as enumerated in Section 4 of Executive Order No. 119, series of 1987, shall be transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government (ARG) subject to specific conditions or limitations provided in this Executive Order. Specifically, they are the following:

- a. Exercise administrative control and supervision over all regional, provincial, city, municipality, district and barangay health units and government-owned or controlled establishments such as hospitals, clinics and dispensaries, laboratories, blood banks, drugstores and such other facilities;
- b. Define the regional health policy and formulate and implement a regional health plan within the framework of the Government’s general policies and strategies, and to present proposals to appropriate authorities on regional issues which have health implications;
- c. Provide for health programs, services, facilities and other requirements as may be needed, subject to the availability of funds and administrative rules and regulations;

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- d. Propagate health information and educate the population on important health, medical and environmental matters which have health implications;
 - e. Assist, coordinate or collaborate with local communities, agencies and interested groups including international organizations in activities related to health;
 - f. Administer all laws, rules and regulations in the field of health, including food and drug safety laws;
 - g. Collect, analyze and disseminate health statistical and other relevant information on the region's health situation, and require the reporting of such information from appropriate sources to the national health agency;
 - h. Undertake health and medical research and conduct training in support of its priorities, programs and activities;
Regulate the operation of and issue licenses and permits to government and private hospitals, clinics and dispensaries, laboratories, blood banks, drugstores and such other establishments which by the nature of their functions are required to be regulated by the Department;
 - j. Issue orders and regulations concerning the implementation of established health policies; and
 - k. Perform such other functions as established by law or as ordered by higher authorities.

Sec. 3. Functions of Department Secretary to be Transferred. Hereunder are the authority and responsibilities of the Secretary of the Department of Health which shall be vested in the Head of the Regional Department of Health (Regional DOH):

- a. Advise the Regional Governor on the promulgation of orders, rules and regulations and other issuance related to health;
- b. Establish policies and standards for the effective, efficient and economical operations of the Regional Department in accordance with the programs of the National Government;
- c. Exercise supervision and control over all functions and activities of the Regional Department within the autonomous region;
- d. Delegate authority for the performance of any administrative or substantive function to any Undersecretary or other officials of appropriate rank at the Regional Department; and
- e. Perform such other functions as may be provided by law or appropriately assigned by the Regional Governor.

Sec. 4. Specific Functions to be Transferred. The following functions of the DOH Regional Offices as provided for in Section 18, Chapter 5, Title IX of the Administrative Code shall be immediately transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government. They are:

- a. Implement laws, rules and regulations, policies, plans, programs and projects of the Department of Health in the autonomous region;
- b. Provide efficient and effective health and medical services to the people;
- c. Coordinate with regional offices of other departments, offices and agencies in the region;
- d. Coordinate with local government units; and
- e. Perform such other functions as may be provided by law.

Sec. 5. Functions to be Transferred with Conditions. Hereunder are the functions which shall be transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government, subject however, to certain conditions:

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- a. Assist, coordinate or collaborate with local communities, agencies and interested groups, including international organizations in activities related to health: **Provided, however, That** the collaboration with international organizations shall be subject to the rules established on official development assistance by the Oversight Committee and approved by the President;
 - b. Administer all laws, rules and regulations in the field of health, including quarantine laws and food and drug safety laws: **Provided, however, That** the national department retains control over all matters concerning quarantine and food and drug regulation;
 - c. Collect, analyze and disseminate health statistical and other relevant information on the country's health situation, and require the reporting of such information from appropriate sources: **Provided, however, That** the health report database shall conform with the national department's information requirements as approved by the National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) for the purpose of maintaining a national database;
 - d. Undertake health and medical research and conduct training in support of its priorities, programs and activities: **Provided, however, That** the research shall be subject to the standards of the appropriate unit of the DOH; and
 - e. Regulate the operation of and issue licenses and permits to government and private hospitals, clinics and dispensaries, laboratories, blood banks, drugstores and such other establishments which by the nature of their functions are required to be regulated by the Department: **Provided, however, That** the standards shall be established and monitored by the appropriate unit of the DOH.

Sec. 6. Functions to be Retained. The national department, by order of the Secretary of Health, is authorized to require the Regional DOH through the Regional Governor to do the following:

- a. Submit statistical, operational and administrative data necessary to analyze status of health operations;
- b. Take actions to control epidemics and prevent grave danger to public health; and
- c. Reply to specific queries regarding health matters in the autonomous region.

Sec. 7. Functions to be Covered by an Appropriate Memorandum of Agreement. The following functions shall be performed by virtue of a Memorandum of Agreement executed between the Autonomous Regional Government and the National Department of Health:

- a. The services of DOH hospitals both regional and national in providing training and referral services to personnel and patients coming from the autonomous region;
 - b. The provision of laboratory and testing services not available in the health units of the autonomous region;
 - c. The provision of specialized technical skills that are not yet available in the health units of the autonomous region;
 - d. The implementation within the autonomous region of foreign-assisted projects contracted by the national department;
 - e. Availment of training and technical assistance through the national department; and
 - f. Specific arrangement pertaining to the implementation of national health programs.
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Sec. 8. Locally Funded Programs and Projects. All locally funded projects of the Department of Health (DOH) within the four (4) provinces of the Autonomous Region are to be transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government.

Sec. 9. Foreign Funded Programs. The implementation of foreign funded programs shall continue to be the responsibility of the National DOH: **Provided, however, That** the project components situated in the provinces of the autonomous region may be implemented by the Autonomous Regional Government by way of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Health (DOH).

Sec. 10. Personnel/Position. (1) By operation of law, all plantilla positions, filled and unfilled, of the Department of Health effectively assigned or within the autonomous region as their official station, shall be placed immediately under the control and supervision of the Autonomous Regional Government. Employees transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government shall form the core group in their respective areas and assist in the setting-up of the provincial and district health offices in the autonomous region.

(2) All personnel of the National Government who are absorbed by the Autonomous Regional Government shall retain their seniority rights, compensation and other benefits.

(3) Line department personnel affected who decline to transfer to the Autonomous Regional Government for any reason shall have the following options as outlined by the Civil Service Commission:

Regular retirement, if eligible;

Absorption by the line department in another region or office, based on the availability of positions and at the discretion of the management;

Transfer to another department based on the availability of positions; and

Resignation

Sec. 11. Assets, Equipment and Properties. All assets, equipment and properties being utilized or programmed for use within the autonomous region shall be turned over to the Autonomous Regional Government. The transfer of properties, however, shall only be to the extent by which the Department of Health has acquired the right of occupation, right of possession, right of ownership, by virtue of title or usage, right to proclamation, all subject to whatever private and other rights that may be brought upon them by others.

Sec. 12. Budget. The total budgetary allocation for the four (4) provinces within the autonomous region shall be turned over to the Autonomous Regional Government (ARG) as soon as the transfer of personnel, assets, equipment and properties is effected.

The National Government shall continue such levels of expenditures as may be necessary to carry out the functions devolved: **Provided, however, That** the annual budgetary support shall, as soon as practicable, terminate as to the line agencies or offices devolved to the Autonomous Regional Government.

Sec. 13. Interim Phase. Prior to the complete devolution of the different functions and powers of the national department, its assets, equipment and properties, its personnel, the local and foreign-funded programs set-up within the autonomous region, there shall be an interim period wherein a transition program shall be implemented to ensure the proper establishment and development of administrative and technical capabilities of the Regional Department in the autonomous region.

During the interim period, the Autonomous Regional Government shall: (a) enhance its capability in the delivery, administration and management of health matters in the region in preparation for its

inevitable role as Regional Department of Health; (b) develop its own budget allocation system; and (c) exercise its role as Regional Health Office for the Autonomous Region.

The transition program shall not exceed one (1) year, and may be less depending on the amount of time with which the Autonomous Regional Government has determined that it can establish the necessary foundation for total devolution.

The transition program is to be undertaken by the Office of the Regional Governor with the support and assistance of the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Health.

Sec. 14. Date of Complete Transfer. The Interim Phase shall cover a maximum of one (1) year, after which, all the powers, functions and resources of the national department within the autonomous region shall be devolved to the Autonomous Regional Department.

Sec. 15. Separability Clause. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid, those that are not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 16. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect following its publication in a national newspaper of general circulation and one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the autonomous region.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 29th day of **October**, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). [*Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300*]. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 134
GOVERNING THE ADMISSION AND STAY IN THE PHILIPPINES,
AS TEMPORARY VISITORS, OF CHINESE NATIONALS

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the Philippine government to attract and promote trade, investment, and tourism as instruments of economic growth and national development;

WHEREAS, there is a need to facilitate the entry to and stay in the Philippines of **bona fide** Chinese tourists and businessmen who are among the country's leading investors and contributors to the growth of the economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Chinese nationals who are holders of People Republic of China (PROC), Taipei, Hongkong-British, and Macao-Portuguese passports, as well as holders of Certificates of Identity and Documents of Identity, may be issued temporary visitors visa under Sec. 9(a) of the Philippine Immigration Act of 1940, as amended, for an initial stay of not more than fifty-nine (59) days, subject to compliance with the prescribed requirements. The determination of the identity and the admissibility of the applicant shall be the primary responsibility of the Consular Officer. The visa may be issued without prior approval of the Home Office.

The stay of said aliens may be extended for a period of not more than four (4) months at a time, provided the total extensions shall not exceed the maximum of one (1) year.

SEC. 2. All provisions of Letter of Instructions No. 911, as amended, Executive Order Nos. 808, 809 and 932, and all other presidential issuances, administrative in character, and all rules and regulations, or part thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order, are hereby revoked or amended accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 4th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 135
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WELL-COORDINATED
LOCAL LEVEL STATISTICAL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the reliability, credibility, and comparability of data have significant bearing on policy and decision-making of the National Government and Local Government Units;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistical System (PSS) as defined in Executive Order No. 121, series of 1987, consists of a policy-making and coordinating body, a statistical research and training center, a general purpose statistical agency, and all departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities of the national and local governments and all government-owned and controlled corporations and their subsidiaries that are engaged in statistical activities either as their primary function or as part of their administrative and regulatory functions;

WHEREAS, the coverage of the PSS cuts across all geographic subdivisions in order to ensure the proper determination of the over-all picture of the country;

WHEREAS, a new Local Government Code was signed into law on October 10, 1991;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforesaid code, powers and functions for the delivery of basic services were devolved to the local government units;

WHEREAS, inherent in the devolution of basic powers and functions would be the devolution of the generation of statistics for planning and decision-making;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. A well-coordinated statistical system at the local level that is: (1) responsive to planning and monitoring requirements at the local level, and (2) capable of producing statistics which can be integrated and harmonized with statistics being produced at the national level, shall be established.

SEC. 2. Overall Coordination of Statistical Matters

(a) The National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) shall, by virtue of its mandate under EO 121, remain as the central policy-making and coordinating body on all statistical matters at the national and local levels. All statistical policies formulated by the NSCB shall be implemented by all concerned agencies of the government, including the local government units.

(b) In each Region, the Regional Statistical Coordination Committee (RSCC), which has been created by the NSCB, shall serve as the link between the NSCB and the local government units on statistical matters. Thus, all statistical activities of the LGUs shall be planned and implemented in coordination with the RSCCs. The NSCB shall establish its Regional Statistical Coordination Units (RSCUs) in all regions to serve as the secretariat of the RSCCs.

(c) To foster an efficient statistical coordination the RSCCs are given authority to act on statistical matters that concern only their region, province or city, municipality, and barangay. Statistical matters

that are of national concern and/or may affect the other regions shall be elevated by the RSCC to the NSCB Central Office.

(d) The following statistical coordination mechanisms shall be implemented by the NSCB at the local levels. In areas where there are RSCCs already in place, the NSCB may delegate the implementation of these mechanisms to said committees. As such, all local government units are enjoined to comply.

- (1) Preparation and Review of Statistical Calendar. Starting CY 1993, the provinces and cities shall submit to NSCB through the RSCCs for review and approval a Five-Year Statistical Calendar indicating what statistical activities are to be conducted, the objectives, data to be generated, and the expected time lag. The concerns of the municipalities and barangays shall be coursed through their mother provinces and municipalities, respectively. As one of the inputs in the preparation of the LGU calendars, the NSCB in coordination with major data users and producers, shall determine and provide the LGUs the types of subregional data which are and which could be made available from national statistical activities.
- (2) Statistical Survey Review and Clearance System. For every statistical survey to be conducted by the LGUs, the responsible LGU shall submit, at least 90 days before the start of the scheduled field operations, the survey design and forms/questionnaires to the NSCB through the RSCCs.

The NSCB shall conduct the review of the technical aspects of the statistical survey. As a notice of approval, a clearance number shall be issued. Said number shall be printed by the LGU in the survey questionnaires. Clearance shall be renewed every two years and/or everytime changes or revisions are to be made in the survey design or questionnaire.

Review of Data Quality. The data generated by the LGUs shall be regularly reviewed by the RSCC in terms of their accuracy, consistency, and timeliness as basis of recommending statistical improvements at the local level.

3. Production of Local-level Statistics

(a) The National Statistical Office (NSO) shall remain as the general purpose statistics producing agency. It shall provide, when feasible and when budget permits, the statistics required for local-level planning at the lowest disaggregation.

(b) The generation of provincial, city, municipal, and barangay statistics, which are by-products of administrative reporting systems inherent in administering the devolved basic services, shall be continued by the Local Government Units (LGUs) consistent with the manner, form, and frequency being adopted by the concerned national line agencies.

(c) For the generation of other statistics with sub-national disaggregation, the NSCB shall designate which of the statistics are to be generated by the national agencies or by the local government or jointly by the national and local governments.

(d) If the specific data required by the LGUs could not be made available from existing statistical activities of the national government, the generation of such statistics shall be done by the LGUs in coordination with the RSCCs.

SEC. 4. Consolidation of Data Produced by LGUs

(a) To ensure accuracy, consistency, and comparability of statistics among the LGUs, statistical concepts, definitions, techniques, and methodologies shall be formulated by the NSCB, thru the RSCCs, with due recognition of the conditions and needs at the local levels.

(b) Local data, which can be produced by LGUs to arrive at regional or national figures as may be determined by the NSCB, shall be consolidated by a national agency to be designated by the NSCB and to be incorporated into an official Data Base after being reviewed by the RSCCs. The designated national agency shall participate in the work of the RSCC in reviewing the consistency of statistics at various geographic levels and ensure that such data are included in its statistical compilations and publications in the manner and disaggregation recommended by the NSCB.

(c) In the regions, the National Statistical Coordination Board shall designate the agency/body that will maintain the one-stop-shop Data Base. All LGUs can have access to said Data Base. The LGUs are also enjoined to establish their own data bases in support of planning and programming activities at the local level.

SEC. 5. Provision of Technical Assistance

(a) The NSCB may, upon request of the LGUs and in coordination with the other national line agencies, deputize statistical personnel from its own personnel or of the other agencies to render technical assistance in the statistical operations of the LGUs. The LGUs shall, however, shoulder the payment of statistical service fee to the deputized personnel of the national agencies subject to the existing government rules and regulations.

(b) On the other hand, the LGUs may also be requested to provide assistance to national government agencies in gathering data of national concern. The national agencies shall likewise provide additional emoluments to the LGUs personnel utilized for their statistical activities, subject to existing rules and regulations of the national government.

(c) In order to build up the statistical capability of the LGUs, the NSCB, the Statistical Research and Training Center (SRTC), and the Local Government Academy (LGA) shall prepare and implement a statistical manpower development program for the LGUs.

SEC. 6. Guidelines on the Issuances of Certification of Population sizes Pursuant to Section 7, 386, 442, 450, 452, and 461 of the New Local Government Code.

(a) The National Statistics Office shall issue certification on data that it has collected and processed as well as on statistics that it has estimated.

(b) For census years, certification on population size will be based on actual population census counts; while for the intercensal years, the certification will be made on the basis of a set of demographic projections or estimates declared official by the National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB).

(c) Certification of population census counts will be made as of the census reference date, such as May 1, 1990, while those of intercensal population estimates will be as of middle of every year.

(d) Certification of population size based on projections may specify the range within which the true count is deemed likely to fall. The range will correspond to the official low and high population projections.

(e) The smallest geographic area for which a certification on population size may be issued will be the barangay for census population counts, and the city or municipality for intercensal estimates. If an LGU wants to conduct its own population census, during off-census years, approval must be sought from the NSCB and the conduct must be under the technical supervision of NSO from planning to data processing.

(f) Certifications of population size based on published census results shall be issued by the Provincial Census Officers or by the Regional Census Officers. Certifications based on projections or estimates, however, will be issued by the NSO Administrator or his designated certifying officer.

SEC. 7. Transitory Provisions - The national agencies shall continue to administer the gathering and processing of the necessary local statistics on the basic services devolved to the LGUs, until the end

of CY 1992, provided that, the personnel absorbed by the LGUs from these agencies, shall be utilized by the national line agencies in the gathering of raw data. Thereafter, the generation of these statistics shall be made by the LGUs in accordance with Section 2 (b) of these guidelines.

SEC. 8. In order to achieve the smooth implementation of the foregoing provisions, the NSCB together with the concerned national line agencies, shall conduct the necessary orientation trainings/seminars for the LGUs. The costs of these trainings/seminars shall come from the information campaign funds of the Local Government Academy.

SEC. 9. The National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) and the various Regional Statistical Coordination Committee (RSCC) shall see to it that the foregoing provisions are adequately and efficiently carried out.

SEC. 10. The NSCB shall be authorized to provide for any amendments to these guidelines.

SEC. 11. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Executive Order shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 12. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 6th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
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MALACAÑANG RECORDS OFFICE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 136

Based on the records available on file and in the possession of Malacañang Records Office, Executive Order No. 136 of Presidential Issuances of Fidel V. Ramos was certified by their office as a reserved number and that no original copy of this issuance was forwarded and released to them.

Malacañang Records Office. (2015). *[Memorandum: certification and official count of Presidential Issuances]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 137
PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS
GOVERNING THE DEVOLUTION OF CERTAIN POWERS AND FUNCTIONS
OF THE NATIONAL MEAT INSPECTION COMMISSION TO THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNITS PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

WHEREAS, Section 17 of Republic Act No. 7160 provides for the establishment and operation of public slaughterhouses as one of the basic services and facilities to be undertaken by cities and municipalities;

WHEREAS, Section 447 (a) (3) (vii) and (5) (ii), (iv) and similar paragraphs of Section 458 of Republic Act No. 7160 provide that the sangguniang bayan and sangguniang panlungsod shall enact ordinances that shall regulate the sale of meat, fish, vegetables, fruits, fresh dairy products, and other foodstuff for human consumption; establish or regulate the construction and operation of public markets, slaughterhouses or animal corrals; or grant a franchise to any person to establish and operate the same as may be allowed by existing laws; and to levy, assess, collect taxes, fees, and charges as may be necessary for these purposes;

WHEREAS, Section 489(a) (2) (3) (i) (iii) of Republic Act No. 7160 provides that there shall be a local veterinarian in every province and city, and if a municipal government deems it necessary to appoint a municipal veterinarian, who shall advise the governor or the mayor, as the case may be, on all matters pertaining to the slaughter of animals and the regulation of slaughterhouses and other veterinary related services in the preparation and preservation of meat, milk and dairy products;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7394, otherwise known as the Consumers Act of the Philippines, provides that the Department of Agriculture shall inspect and analyze consumer products related to agriculture to determine conformity to established quality and safety standards; and to levy, assess, collect, and retain fees as are necessary to cover the cost of inspection, certification, analysis, and test of samples of consumer products;

WHEREAS, the National Meat Inspection Commission (NMIC) of the Department of Agriculture, created under Presidential Decree No. 7 and Letter of Instruction No. 16, is responsible for promulgating specific policies and procedures governing the flow of livestock and livestock products through various stages of marketing and the proper preservation and inspection of such products;

WHEREAS, there is a need to harmonize the various provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991 and the Consumers Act of the Philippines, including the role of the National Meat Inspection Commission in the establishment, operation, and regulation of slaughterhouses, livestock, and meat inspection, and the imposition and collection of fees and other charges rendered thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, and upon recommendation of the Oversight Committee created under Section 533 of Republic Act No. 7160, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Construction, Improvement, Expansion, and Operation of Slaughterhouses. - To prevent wastage in terms of time and valuable logistics and to maintain a uniform, high standard of sanitation in the operation and maintenance of slaughterhouses, the NMIC and the LGUs concerned shall perform the following:

(a) The city or municipality:

(1) shall, by ordinance, establish and operate a public slaughterhouse. In the construction, improvement, and expansion of such establishment, the city or municipality shall conform to applicable local and national policies, standards, and guidelines. For this purpose, the concerned local government unit may seek the assistance of the NMIC and other government agencies;

(2) shall, upon approval by a majority vote of all the members of the sangguniang panlungsod or sangguniang bayan, grant a franchise to any person, partnership, corporation, or cooperative to establish, construct, operate, and maintain slaughterhouses as may be allowed by applicable laws, provided that cooperatives shall be given preference in the grant of such a franchise;

(3) shall, by ordinance, sell, lease, encumber, or otherwise dispose of its slaughterhouse to ensure active participation of the private sector in local governance; and

(4) shall authorize the establishment and operations of private slaughterhouses, whether for public use or exclusively as part of meat processing complex;

(b) The province shall:

(1) ensure that the establishment and operation of the slaughterhouses of its component cities and municipalities are in accordance with the policies, standards, and guidelines set by the national and provincial governments;

(2) provide technical supervision and may give financial assistance in the establishment and operation of slaughterhouses owned by its component cities and municipalities; and

(3) review the ordinances of component cities and municipalities on matters relating to the establishment and operation of slaughterhouses and the granting of franchise thereof, including the imposition of taxes, fees and charges;

(c) The NMIC shall:

(1) formulate national policies, guidelines, rules and regulations governing the establishment and operations of slaughterhouses; and

(2) exercise technical supervision over the establishment and operations of slaughterhouses with authority to recommend sanctions and closure to local chief executives for those that do not comply or meet the requirements and standards set thereof;

SEC. 2. Classification and Accreditation of Slaughterhouses. - The NMIC shall, based on established standards for production, plans, designs, and specifications, classify and accredit slaughterhouses in accordance with the following:

“AAA” - Those with facilities and operational procedures appropriate to slaughter livestock and fowls for sale in any market, domestic or international.

“AA” - Those with facilities and operational procedures sufficiently adequate that the livestock and fowls slaughtered therein are suitable for sale in any market domestic or international.

“A” - Those with facilities and procedures of minimum adequacy that the livestock and fowls slaughtered therein are suitable for distribution and sale only within the city or municipality where the slaughterhouse is located.

SEC. 3. Meat Inspection. - All livestock and fowls slaughtered for food and their meat products shall be subjected to veterinary inspection and examination before distribution and sale. To effectively implement meat inspection, the NMIC and the LGU concerned shall perform the following:

a) The NMIC shall:

(1) formulate national policies, guidelines, rules and regulations, quality and safety standards governing marketing, marketing preservation, and inspection of meat and meat products;

(2) formulate and implement rules and regulations governing the import and export of meat and meat products;

(3) exercise technical supervision over local meat inspectors in class “AAA” slaughterhouses and, in “AA” when there is regular distribution of meat outside of the province or of the independent city;

(4) in coordination with the LGU, provide direct technical supervision over operation of class “AAA” slaughterhouse and in class “AA” in case of preceding paragraph;

(5) certify the fitness for human consumption of meat and meat products intended for export and for distribution outside of the province or of the independent city; and

(6) provide laboratory support to the meat industry.

(b) **The Provincial Government, thru its provincial veterinarian, shall:**

(1) regulate the flow of meat and meat products within the provincial jurisdiction in accordance with national policies, guidelines and standards;

(2) exercise technical supervision over meat inspection work and operation in class “AA” slaughterhouses in the component city or municipality when there is regular meat distribution outside the local area but within the province. However, the function may be vested to the NMIC alone in case meat distribution extends beyond the province; and

(3) certify the fitness for human consumption of meat and meat products in case of the preceding paragraph.

(c) **The City or Municipality shall:**

(1) regulate the preparation and sale of meat for human consumption based on national policies, guidelines, and standards within their territorial jurisdiction;

(2) directly supervise the operation in Class “A” slaughterhouses and, in class “AA”, when meat distribution is limited within the locality only;

(3) conduct meat inspection in all classes of slaughterhouses; and

(4) certify the fitness for human consumption of meat and meat products intended for distribution within the locality only.

SEC. 4. Meat Transport and Post Abattoir Control -

(a) Only transport vehicles accredited by the city veterinarian shall be used to deliver meat/meat products within the city; by the municipal veterinarian, and if none, by the provincial veterinarian, when transporting the same within the municipality; by the provincial veterinarian when transporting from one city or municipality to other localities within a province; and, by the NMIC when the destination is outside the province.

(b) The meat to be suitable for transport must be from livestock or fowl dressed in an accredited slaughterhouse and have been subjected to ante and post mortem inspection, and certified and marked 'INSPECTED' and 'PASSED' for food by the controlling authority prescribed in the preceding section.

(c) Post-abattoir control operation shall be exercised by the concerned LGU/NGA. A task force, composed of one or more concerned local government units may be organized and headed by a higher local government unit to strengthen the capability of checking illegal slaughtering and meat distribution.

(d) Any additional post-mortem inspection and examination, when deemed necessary, shall be conducted either by the city, provincial or NMIC veterinarian, as the case may be.

(e) Licensing and registration of butchers, meat vendors, meat dealers, and meat stalls/shops is to be exercised by the city or municipality.

(f) The NMIC, together with the LGU concerned, shall control movement of meat and meat products from priority reportable diseases endemic areas to free zones in the country. Meat and meat products from such areas shall not be allowed to enter free zones in support of the Livestock Priority Diseases Eradication Program of the Philippines and its commitment to the international animal health program.

SEC. 5. Monitoring and Evaluation. - The NMIC, in coordination with the LGU concerned, shall monitor, conduct field inspection, and require those involved in slaughterhouse operation to submit periodic and special reports to the NMIC.

SEC. 6. Training and Information. - (a) The NMIC shall design a training program on slaughterhouse operation and shall be responsible for training local personnel involved in slaughterhouse regulations and operations. It shall also provide the means whereby the local government units, slaughterhouse operators and workers, and those engaged in livestock propagation and meat preparation have access to information about slaughterhouse management, facilities, LGU's regulations and impositions, and including the supply and demand of meat products here and abroad.

(b) No person may be employed in livestock and meat inspection without undergoing training and accreditation of the NMIC.

(c) No person shall be allowed to work inside the slaughterhouse without proper training and license.

SEC. 7. Fees and Charges. - (a) The LGU concerned, thru an appropriate ordinance, may impose fees and charges related to meat inspection in accordance with the rules and regulations of the LG Code.

(b) The twenty five (25) per cent of the veterinary inspection fees (ante and post mortem) collected by the city and municipalities in Class "AAA" shall be shared and remitted by the city or municipal treasurer to the NMIC on a quarterly basis but not beyond five (5) days after the end of each quarter. As in the case of Class "AA", the same shall accrue to whoever is directly supervising the inspection service as mentioned in Section 3 of this Order.

SEC. 8. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in a national newspaper of general circulation.

Done in the City of Manila, this 28th day of **NOVEMBER**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:
(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.**
Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO 138
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE VIRAC PORT ZONE UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE
JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Port of Virac is one of the major and busiest ports in the country;

WHEREAS, there is a need to expand the Port of Virac for planning purposes to accommodate projected increases in port traffic and to program the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Virac is hereby expanded and particularly described as follows:

“Beginning at point marked 1 on the plan, thence to point 2 at a distance of 37.74 m with bearing N 49° 34' E, thence to point 3 at a distance of 16.79 m with bearing N 52° 56' E, thence to point 4 at a distance of 24.31 m with bearing N 55° 37' E, thence to point 5 at a distance of 34.31 m with bearing S 78° 42' E, thence to point 6 at a distance of 46.78 m with bearing N 71° 54' E, thence to point 7 at a distance of 32.63 m with bearing N 88° 02' E, thence to point 8 at a distance of 65.63 m with bearing N 86° 11' E, thence to point 9 at a distance of 36.02 m with bearing S 86° 36' E, thence to point 10 at a distance of 15.37 m with bearing S 83° 10' E, thence to point 11 at a distance of 22.25 m with bearing of S 75° 24' E, thence to point 12 at a distance of 21.13 m with bearing S 70° 44' E, thence to point 13 at a distance of 25.09 m with bearing S 65° 00' E, thence to point 14 at a distance of 24.23 m with bearing S 59° 41' E, thence to point 15 at a distance of 32.42 m with bearing S 56° 37' E, thence to point 16 at a distance of 47.43 m with bearing S 53° 33' E, thence to point 17 at a distance of 12.31 m with bearing S 47° 08' E, thence to point 18 at a distance of 6.98 m with bearing S 43° 06' E, thence to point 19 at a distance of 33.85 m with bearing S 84° 18' E, thence to point 20 at a distance of 23.93 m with bearing N 78° 49' E, thence to point 21 at a distance of 30.62 m with bearing of N 72° 14' E, thence to point 22 at a distance of 21.53 m with bearing N 63° 44' E, thence to point 23 at a distance of 22.24 m with bearing N 40° 05' E, thence to point 24 at a distance of 8.60 m with bearing N 49° 01' E, thence to point 25 at a distance of 27.72 m with bearing N 19° 36' E, thence to point 26 at a distance of 354.00 m with bearing S 43° 50' E, thence to point 27 at a distance of 634.14 m with bearing S 44° 38' W, thence to point 28 at a distance of 703.03 m with bearing N 38° 6'42.70" W, thence to point 29 at a distance of 50.00 m with bearing N 45° 00' W, thence to point 1, the point of beginning at a distance of 108.40 m with bearing N 47° 40' E, all in all comprising a total area of 361,936.79 sq. m. more or less.

SEC. 2. The Virac Port Zone, as expanded, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the Government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SEC. 3. All other orders, proclamations, and issuances, or portions thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 28th day of **NOVEMBER**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 139
CREATING THE KABATAAN: 2000 STEERING COMMITTEE,
THE ACTION OFFICERS COMMITTEE AND THE REGIONAL
STEERING COMMITTEE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE YEAR-ROUND
YOUTH WORK PROGRAM, KABATAAN: 2000 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, there is a need to implement a year-round program for the youth, which will make the youth contribute directly to the government's Vision of Philippines: 2000;

WHEREAS, the 1993 President's Summer Youth Work Program (PSYWP) implementation was a success, considering that 90,000 youths from all over the country benefitted directly from the program;

WHEREAS, the PSYWP should be expanded to a year-round program in order to involve more youths in the implementation of community building projects, which contributes to the economic pump-priming program of the government;

WHEREAS, the attainment of the people empowerment objective of the government requires the active involvement of the youth, which comprises 68% of the country's population, as driving force for advocacy and for attaining economic and political stability;

WHEREAS, to ensure the continued success of the Program, it is imperative to strengthen the mechanism therefor and its Steering Committee for the purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Steering Committee; the Action Officers Committee; and the Regional Steering Committee.

1.1 The Steering Committee. There is hereby created the KABATAAN: 2000 Steering Committee, composed of the following:

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| a. | Secretary of Labor and Employment (DOLE) | - | Chairman |
| b. | Head, Presidential Management Staff (PMS) | - | Co-Chairman |
| c. | Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS) | | Member |
| d. | Secretary of Interior and Local Government (DILG) | | Member |
| e. | Secretary of Tourism (DOT) | | Member |
| f. | Secretary of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) | | Member |
| g. | Secretary of Health (DOH) | | Member |
| h. | Secretary of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) | | Member |
| | Secretary of Agriculture (DA) | - | Member |
| j. | Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) | - | Member |
| k. | Secretary of Budget and Management (DBM) | | Member |
| l. | Director General, National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) | - | Member |

- m. Director General, Philippine Information Agency (PIA) Member
- n. Chairman, Presidential Council for Youth Affairs (PCYA) - Member

1.2 The Action Officers Committee. There is hereby created the KABATAAN: 2000 Action Officers Committee composed of the following:

- a. Representative, DOLE Chairman
- b. Representative, PMS Co-Chairman
- c. Representative, DECS Member
- d. Representative, DILG Member
- e. Representative, DOT Member
- f. Representative, DSWD Member
- g. Representative, DOH Member
- h. Representative, DPWH Member
- i. Representative, DA Member
- j. Representative, DENR Member
- k. Representative, DBM Member
- l. Representative, NEDA Member
- m. Representative, PIA Member
- n. Chief Executive Officer, PCYA Member
- o. Chairman, Sangguniang Kabataan National Federation (SKNF) Member

1.3 The Regional Steering Committee. There is hereby created the KABATAAN: 2000 Regional Steering Committee composed of the following;

- a. Regional Director, DOLE Chairman
- b. Regional Director, DILG Co-Chairman
- c. Regional Director, DECS Member
- d. Regional Director, DOT Member
- e. Regional Director, DSWD Member
- f. Regional Director, DOH Member
- g. Regional Director, DPWH Member
- h. Regional Director, DA Member
- Regional Director, DENR Member
- j. Regional Director, PIA Member
- k. Regional Coordinator, PCYA - Member
- Regional Board of Directors, SKNF - Member

SEC. 2. Functions and Responsibilities of the different Committees.

2.1 Functions and Responsibilities of the Steering Committee:

- a. Oversee the implementation and ensure the success of the Program;
- b. Solicit and review the support and contribution for the purposes of the Program;
- c. Call upon any government department or agency for the necessary assistance and support for the Program; and
- d. Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the President.

2.2 Functions and Responsibilities of the Action Officers Committee:

- a. Formulate the guidelines for the implementation of the Program;
- b. Review and evaluate the implementation of the various components of the Program;
- c. Prepare and submit a regular report and assessment of the Program; and
- d. Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Steering Committee.

2.3 Functions and Responsibilities of the Regional Steering Committee:

- a. Supervise the implementation of the Program in the Regional Level;
- b. Seek the support of the local government units and non-government organizations to ensure the success of the Program;
- c. Prepare and submit a regular report and assessment of the Program in the Regional level; and
- d. Perform some other functions as may be assigned by the Steering Committee.

Sec. 3. Program Secretariat. The Chief Executive Officer of the Presidential Council for Youth Affairs (PCYA) is hereby directed to provide a Secretariat for the KABATAAN: 2000 Steering Committee. The Secretariat shall provide technical and administrative support to the Committee, and perform such other functions as may be assigned to it by the Committee.

The Chief Executive Officer of the PCYA shall also act as the Overall Program Coordinator of the program.

Sec. 4. Program Components. KABATAAN: 2000 shall have two (2) program components. The President's Youth Work Program (PYWP) and the Weekend Youth Brigades (WYB).

4.1 The President's Youth Work Program (PYWP) - The PYWP is the year-round implementation of the component programs of the President's Summer Youth Work Program (PSYWP). The program shall have eight (8) components, as follows:

- a. Government Internship Program (GIP). The GIP shall seek to initiate its youth participants into public service by involving them with government programs and projects, through the various departments and agencies. The implementation of the program components shall be coordinated by the Presidential Council for Youth Affairs (PCYA);
 - b. Work Appreciation Program (WAP). The WAP shall develop the values of work appreciation and ethics among college and high school students by providing them with apprenticeship and actual work opportunities in private establishments. The Program shall involve various private sector groups and employers federations and shall be coordinated by the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE);
 - c. Special Program for Employment of Students (SPES). The objective of SPES is to develop the intellectual capacities of children of poor families and harness their potentials for the country's development. Specifically, the Program aims to help poor but deserving students pursue their education by providing income or augment their income by encouraging their employment during summer and/or Christmas vacations;
 - d. Program on Literacy cum Livelihood, Culture, Arts (PLLCA). The Program aims to empower the youth with devisable knowledge, skills, attitudes and values to make them self-reliant, responsible, productive, humane and upright citizens who can contribute to the sustainable development of the country. Program implementation shall be undertaken by the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS);
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- e. Immersion and Outreach Program (IOP). The IOP aims to instill in the youth a sense of community service and volunteerism for the less privileged sectors of the society. The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) shall be the lead agency in the implementation of this program;
 - f. Health Outreach Program (HOP). The HOP aims to promote an understanding and sense of awareness among the youth on critical health programs and issues, such as population, environmental health, immunization, nutrition, and drug abuse, among others;
 - g. Youth and Infrastructure Development (YID). The program aims to train and involve the youth in labor intensive infrastructure programs in their respective localities. Through hands-on-training, the youths are introduced to the values of discipline, hardwork and labor; and
 - h. Tourism Training and Appreciation Program (TTAP). The TTAP aims to increase the level of knowledge and exposure of students and instill in the minds of the youths the history, heritage, and proud accomplishments of our forefathers. The program shall also be geared towards environmental awareness and protection, educational and leisure trips, and preservation of our cultural heritage.

4.2. The Weekend Youth Brigades (WYB) - The WYB are the low-cost but high-impact weekend youth programs of various government agencies and local government units. The WYB aims to involve the youth in community building projects during the weekends.

Sec. 5. Fund - The lead agencies are hereby urged to realign their 1993 and 1994 budgets to provide for the implementation expenses of the KABATAAN: 2000. The Department of Budget and Management shall facilitate the realignment of the lead agencies implementing the program components of KABATAAN: 2000. The PCYA shall have a yearly appropriation of ₱2,000,000.00 to provide for the operational expenses of the KABATAAN: 2000.

Sec. 6. Repealing Clause - All orders, rules, regulations and other administrative issuances or provisions thereof, which are contrary to or inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Sec. 7. Effectivity - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 28th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 140
RATIONALIZING THE DUTY FREE STORES/OUTLETS AND THEIR OPERATIONS
IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, duty free stores/outlets have proliferated in areas beyond international ports of entry and expanded product lines that broaden entry of duty free goods into the domestic economy with adverse effects on local enterprises in manufacturing and retailing;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 68 imposes, effective April 1, 1993, an entrance fee of P50.00 on entry of all non-passengers to duty free shops operated by the Duty Free Philippines, to mobilize revenue for budgetary requirements and dampen access of non-passengers in order to mitigate adverse impact on local enterprises of large volume of duty free goods entered through duty free shops;

WHEREAS, there is a further need to conduct a comprehensive study on the operational aspects of all duty free stores/outlets, including those in the Subic Special Economic Zone and the former Clark Air Base, in order to evolve a more wholistic policy approach thereon, but in the meantime, adopt certain measures to address the aforementioned problems;

WHEREAS, the P50.00 entrance fee has not been imposed on other duty free shops operating in special economic zones which are Subic and Clark areas, to the disadvantage of Duty Free Philippines;

WHEREAS, in the spirit of the forthcoming Christmas Season and in support of the government's Balikbayan Program, it is deemed appropriate to lift the P50.00 entrance fee presently imposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order, as follows:

SECTION 1. There shall be a moratorium on the establishment of duty free stores/outlets, except those to be situated at international ports of entry (such as the one at the Davao International Airport). This moratorium shall also apply to duty free stores/outlets to be set-up at the Subic Special Economic Zone and/or the former Clark Air Base; and on proposals expanding any of the operational aspects of duty free stores/outlets (such as opening the stores to AFP personnel or retirees under the Philippine Retirement Program, increasing the shopping limits and/or extending the shopping time, among others).

SEC. 2. Duty free stores/outlets which are not located in international ports of entry such as the Paskuhan Village at San Fernando, Pampanga and the one at the PICC shall be phased out.

SEC. 3. The Duty Free Philippines shall limit advertisement for duty free shopping to international ports of entry, duty free stores/outlets/order centers, international airlines and travel agencies, as well as publications devoted to international travel and tourism, to avoid undue competition with domestic establishments and industries.

SEC. 4. The Duty Free Philippines shall remit to the National Government an amount equivalent to 1.5 percent of its net sales.

SEC. 5. The Department of Finance and the Department of Tourism, in coordination with other concerned government institutions and industry chambers/associations, shall conduct a comprehensive study with the end in view of formulating a wholistic policy approach on the operational aspects (such as kinds of goods to be sold, shopping time and limits, access to the public, acceptable currency,

monitoring/reporting requirements, among others) of all duty free stores, including those in the Subic Special Economic Zone and the former Clark Air Base. The study shall be submitted to the Office of the President within one month's time after the effectivity of this Executive Order.

6. Executive Order No 68 is hereby revoked
7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 30th day of November, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 141
CREATING THE NATIONAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR THE THIRD ASEAN
MEETING OF MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR INFORMATION

WHEREAS, the Philippines, being an active and committed member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), subscribes to participation in all ASEAN meetings which make it possible for Philippine interests and concerns to be incorporated in major ASEAN decisions and programs;

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Ministers Responsible for Information at its Second Meeting held in 2 August 1991 in Kuala-Lumpur, Malaysia, agreed to hold the Third Meeting in Manila in 1993, thus it is now incumbent on the Philippine Government to undertake such preparations as are necessary to ensure the successful holding of the Meeting in Manila in 1993;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of powers vested in me by law, do hereby create the National Organizing Committee for the Third ASEAN Meeting of Ministers Responsible for Information, hereinafter referred to as the Committee:

The Chairman of the Committee shall be drawn from the Office of the Press Secretary and the Vice-Chairman from the Department of Foreign Affairs. Members of the Committee shall be from the Office of the Press Secretary:

Philippine Information Agency
People's Television Network, Incorporated
Bureau of Broadcast Services
National Information Bureau
Philippine News Agency

In view of the financial and security requirements of the Meeting, the following departments shall also be members of the Committee:

Department of Budget and Management
Department of the Interior and Local Government
Philippine National Police (PNP)

The Department Secretaries and Directors of the members of the Committee may designate their respective representatives to the Committee in the event that they will not be able to personally participate in the preparatory work and other responsibilities of the Committee.

The Committee may invite special advisers as members of the Organizing Committee as deemed needed.

The Committee is empowered to create a Secretariat and Sub-Committee call upon all other government and non-government and private agencies and individuals concerned to assist the Committee in its tasks.

The Department of Budget and Management is hereby directed to immediately release the amount of **TWO MILLION NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND PESOS (₱2, 971,000.00)** to the Office of the Press Secretary (OPS) to cover the operating expenses for the meeting chargeable against the CY 1993 International Commitments Funds and subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, this 7th day of **December**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 142
TRANSFERRING SOME PROJECTS OF THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY (SPDA) TO THE AUTONOMOUS REGIONAL GOVERNMENT IN THE
AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO

WHEREAS, Article III (section 9) of Republic Act No. 6734 otherwise known as the Organic Act for the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) provides that the Autonomous Region shall provide manpower training programs, create livelihood and job opportunities, allocate equitable preferential rights to its inhabitants and adopt laws that will safeguard the right of worker;

WHEREAS, the Oversight Committee created under Republic Act No. 6734 for the purpose of supervising the transfer of powers and functions of certain government line agencies, recommends that the projects of the Southern Philippines Development Authority (SPDA) be transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government of the ARMM.

WHEREAS, during the 12th Oversight Committee Meeting, the members thereof agreed through a resolution to endorse to the President the issuance of an Executive Order transferring the five (5) projects of the SPDA including its personnel to the Autonomous Regional Government of the ARMM.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Transfer of Projects. The following projects of the Southern Philippines Development Authority (SPDA) shall be transferred to the Autonomous Regional Government (ARG) of the ARMM within fifteen (15) days upon the effectivity of this Executive Order:

- a. Kapatiran Agro-Industrial Cooperative Settlements;
- b. Maguindanao Integrated Development Project (MIDP);
- c. Lake Buluan Development Project (LBDP);
- d. Lake Lanao Fish Cage Culture Project; and
- e. Integrated Marine Fisheries Development Project.

The SPDA shall turn-over the above-named projects to the Autonomous Regional Government of the ARMM and the total amount of investments transferred shall be written-off from the corporate books of the SPDA.

Section 2. Creation of a Regional Committee. At the regional level, the SPDA and the ARG of the ARMM shall create a joint committee for the detailed inventory, appraisal and the eventual transfer of the projects including its personnel to the Autonomous Regional Government of the ARMM.

The joint SPDA - ARMM Committee created by virtue of this Executive Order shall submit a report to the Oversight Committee of the detailed appraisal of each project including the inventory of personnel that shall be transferred.

Section 3. Transfer of Personnel. All personnel of the above-named projects shall be absorbed by the ARG of the ARMM, effective from time the transfer of the projects is effected.

Section 4. Transition Period. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, there shall be a transition period of fifteen (15) days within which the transfer of the aforementioned projects, together with its personnel shall be completed.

The actual transfer shall be carried at the level of the Regional Governor of the ARMM and the Head of the SPDA within the period herein provided.

Section 5. Separability Clause. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Executive Order shall be held unconstitutional, those that are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days following publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao and one newspaper of national publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 10th day of December, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 143

**DIRECTING THE HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL TO
OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT PABAHAY PROGRAM,
AND DEFINING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF CERTAIN AGENCIES
WHICH WILL BE INVOLVED THEREIN**

WHEREAS, Section 39 of Republic Act No. 7279, otherwise known as the “Urban Development and Housing Act”, mandates local government units (LGUs) with the implementation of said Act in their respective localities in coordination with the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) and other concerned government agencies;

WHEREAS, the provisions of Title IV, Book II of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991”, authorize LGUs to contract indebtedness, avail of credit facilities or issue bonds, debentures or other forms of obligations to finance socialized housing projects in their respective localities;

WHEREAS, the Home Development Mutual Fund (HDMF) has established a special development loan window with an initial allocation of P1.0 Billion for direct lending to LGUs for their socialized housing projects;

WHEREAS, the Home Insurance and Guaranty Corporation (HIGC) has established its own program, corollary to that of HDMF’s, known as the “Municipal Pabahay Guaranty Program”, whereby the HIGC shall guarantee the bonds, securities or other forms of obligations which shall be floated or issued by LGUs;

WHEREAS, the National Home Mortgage Finance Corporation (NHMFC) is the government housing agency tasked to develop a viable secondary mortgage system to generate funds for “buyer’s financing”, whose support is likewise necessary for the success of LGU-initiated socialized housing projects; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a single agency to coordinate and oversee the efforts of all government housing agencies involved in assisting LGUs in their respective socialized housing projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Implementation of a Local Government Pabahay Program. - The HUDCC is directed to coordinate and oversee the efforts of all government housing agencies involved in assisting LGUs in their respective socialized housing projects, especially those of the HDMF, HIGC and NHMFC, into a coordinated and synchronized program to be known as the “Local Government Pabahay Program”. In this regard, the HUDCC shall further undertake and conduct an intensive training program on local shelter strategy formulation for LGUs participating in such program.

Section 2. Creation of Advisory Committee. - An Advisory Committee is created to ensure regular consultations with and active involvement of all sectors in the Local Government Pabahay Program. This Advisory Committee shall be chaired by the HUDCC Chairman and co-chaired by the Chief Executive Officer of HDMF, and shall have the following members: Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), or his duly authorized representative; the respective Chief

Executive Officers of the NHMFC, HIGC, the National Housing Authority, and the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board; Chairman of the Metropolitan Manila Authority; President of the League of Provinces, Cities and Municipalities; and a representative from the private sector to be designated by the President.

Section 3. **Agency Responsibilities.** - Anent the implementation of the Local Government Pabahay Program, and subject to the limitations and requirements of their respective charters and other existing laws, and without impairing their financial or required reserve positions, the following agencies are directed as follows:

- a. The HDMF shall support the program through its special development loan window, by allocating such amounts it may deem sufficient for the purpose, for direct lending to LGUs in order to finance their respective socialized housing projects, or for investment in bonds, securities, and other forms of obligations which may be issued or floated by participating LGUs;
- b. The NHMFC and HDMF shall make available “buyer’s financing” for the socialized housing projects of all participating LGUs. In this connection, NHMFC may issue notes to be known as Local Government Pabahay Participating Certificates to supplement its existing take-out fund or to match the special development loan fund of the HDMF;
- c. The HIGC shall guaranty the bonds, securities and other forms of obligations issued by participating LGUs and/or the NHMFC;
- d. The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall facilitate coordination and ensure smooth implementation of the program at the local government level;
- e. The Department of Agrarian Reform shall prioritize the processing of applications for the conversion of agricultural lands identified by LGUs as suitable for socialized housing projects and which have been classified into residential, industrial, commercial, or mixed, pursuant to the LGUs’ respective zoning ordinances or land use plans; and
- f. Other government agencies whose services are deemed necessary to assure the successful implementation of the program shall, upon request, extend the appropriate assistance and support to the HUDCC.

Section 4. **Implementing Guidelines.** - The HUDCC shall, in consultation with the Advisory Committee, promulgate rules, regulations and guidelines necessary to effectively implement the Local Government Pabahay Program.

Such rules, regulations and guidelines shall, among others, provide and ensure that housing projects to be supported under said program shall be low-cost in nature to enable families with low income levels to become beneficiaries thereof, and the terms and conditions of the credit or guaranty arrangements to be granted or provided to LGUs by the government housing agencies concerned shall be consistent with the pertinent guidelines of the Unified Home Lending Program or Expanded Housing Loan Program.

Section 5. **Separability Clause.** - If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid, the validity of the other provisions hereof shall be unaffected thereby.

Section 6. **Repealing Clause.** - All executive and other administrative issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 7. **Effectivity.** - This Executive Order shall take effect upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 13th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 144

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 84, DATED APRIL 24, 1993, WHICH CREATED A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION TO FORMULATE SHORT AND LONG-TERM PLANS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TAGAYTAY CITY AND ITS ADJACENT MUNICIPALITIES, AND THE TAAL VOLCANO ISLAND AND ITS SURROUNDING COASTAL MUNICIPALITIES

By virtue of the powers vested in me by law, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby amend Executive Order No. 84, dated April 24, 1993, which created a Presidential Commission to formulate short and long-term plans for the area covered therein, by including the Municipalities of Mataas na Kahoy, Cuenca, Alitagtag, Sta. Teresita, Lemery, Taal Volcano Island, and Lipa City in the Province of Batangas in its coverage.

Done in the City of Manila, this 14th day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 145
MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED
ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978,
AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE 1994 PHILIPPINE SCHEDULE OF
TARIFF REDUCTIONS ON ARTICLES INCLUDED IN THE ACCELERATED AND
NORMAL PROGRAMMES OF THE COMMON EFFECTIVE PREFERENTIAL TARIFF
(CEPT) SCHEME FOR THE ASEAN FREE TRADE AREA (AFTA)

WHEREAS, the Heads of State and Governments of ASEAN, convinced that ASEAN cooperation is vital to the well-being of their peoples, unequivocally declared at their Fourth Summit Meeting held in Singapore on 28 January 1992 that ASEAN must move towards a higher plane of political, security, and economic cooperation to ensure regional peace, progress and prosperity;

WHEREAS, having reviewed the profound international political and economic changes that have occurred since the end of the Cold War and considered their implications for ASEAN, the Heads of the ASEAN Member States declared the ASEAN shall continuously contribute to an open international economic regime;

WHEREAS, in the field of economic cooperation, recognizing that tariff and non-tariff barriers are impediments to intra-ASEAN trade and that existing commitments under the ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements (PTA) to remove these trade barriers need to be extensively improved upon, the ASEAN Member States agreed that there shall be established, among other new economic measures contained in the Framework Agreement on Enhancing ASEAN Economic Cooperation signed in Singapore on 28 January 1992, the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) using the Common Effective Preferential Tariff (CEPT) Scheme as the main mechanism within a time frame of fifteen (15) years beginning 1 January 1993 with the final effective tariffs ranging from 0 to 5%;

WHEREAS, as provided for in the Agreement on the Common Effective Preferential Tariff (CEPT) Scheme for the ASEAN Free Trade Areas (AFTA) signed in Singapore in 28 January 1992, all manufactured products, including capital goods, processed agricultural products, and those products falling outside the definition of agricultural products as set out in the Agreement shall be in the CEPT Scheme;

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Member States have identified in the Summit Declaration fifteen (15) groups of products to be included in the CEPT Scheme for accelerated tariff reduction, namely: vegetable oils, cement, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, fertilizers, plastics, rubber products, leather products, pulp, textiles, ceramic and glass products, gems and jewelry, copper cathodes, electronics, and wooden and rattan furniture;

WHEREAS, for products identified by the Philippines for accelerated rate reduction under the CEPT Scheme for the AFTA tariff rates (MFN/PTA) of 20% or below shall be reduced to 5% and zero by 1 January 2000, while tariff rates (MFN/PTA) above 20% shall be reduced to 5% and zero by 1 January 2003;

WHEREAS, for products identified by the Philippines for normal rate reduction, the tariff reduction to 5% and zero shall be done in two stages, namely: (a) for products with existing tariff rates (MFN/PTA) of 20% or below, tariffs shall be reduced to 5% and zero through a seven (7) year programme

starting 1 January 1996 up to 1 January 2003, and (b) for products with existing tariff rates (MFN/PTA) above 20%, tariffs shall be reduced to 20% by 1 January 2001. The subsequent reduction of tariff rates from 20% to 5% and zero shall be done within seven (7) years, with the minimum rate of reduction set at five (5) percentage points every two years starting 1 January 2004 up to 1 January 2008;

WHEREAS, at the Fourth Meeting of the AFTA Council for the CEPT Scheme held in Singapore on 6 October 1993, it was agreed, among others, that the starting date of the implementation of the tariff reduction programme by the ASEAN member countries be on or before 1 January 1994, except for Brunei Darussalam which, due to administrative requirements, would be able to start its tariff reduction by 1 June 1994.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in Annex "A" hereof as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be subject to the ASEAN Common Effective Preferential Tariff in accordance with the 1994 schedule indicated in Columns 5 and 6 of Annex "A". Implementation of the tariff reduction schedule for the succeeding years shall be subject to the issuance of separate implementing Executive Orders.

SEC. 2. In the event that any subsequent changes are made in the basic (MFN) Philippine rate of duty to a rate lower than the ASEAN CEPT Rate on any of the articles listed in Annex "A", such article shall automatically be accorded the corresponding reduced rate of duty.

SEC. 3. From the date of effectivity of this Order, all articles listed in Annex "A" entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be imposed the rates of duty for 1994 herein prescribed subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as provided for in the Agreement on the CEPT Scheme for the AFTA signed on 28 January 1992.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect on 1 January, 1994.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 27th day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Museum and Library**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *Official Gazette of the Republic of the Philippines*, 90(8), 999-1000.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 146
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 43, SERIES OF 1992, BY MODIFYING THE MARGINS
OF PREFERENCE AND THE APPLICABLE ASEAN PREFERENTIAL TARIFFS
ON CERTAIN ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE COVERAGE THEREOF

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 43, S. of 1992, modified the rates of duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, in order to implement the 1991 and 1992 Philippine programmes providing a minimum level of 25% Margins of Preference (MOPs) on certain items which are in the Philippine Exclusion List, and deepening the MOPs in respect of certain items which are under the ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements;

WHEREAS, after the issuance of said EO No. 43, it became necessary to modify the MOPs and therefore the applicable ASEAN preferential tariffs on certain items;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Annex "B" of Executive Order No. 43, S. of 1992, is hereby amended to modify the MOPs and the applicable ASEAN preferential tariffs on the items listed in Annex "A" of this Executive Order. In effect, the items listed in Annex "A" hereof shall be subject to the ASEAN Preferential Tariff in accordance with the schedule indicated in Columns 12 to 18 of said Annex "A".

SEC. 2. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Executive Order shall take effect on 1 January 1994.

Done in the City of Manila, this 27th day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex "A"

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1993). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 147

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE 10% MARGIN OF PREFERENCE (MOP) GRANTED BY THE PHILIPPINES UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON THE GLOBAL SYSTEM OF TRADE PREFERENCES AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AS SET FORTH IN THE PHILIPPINE SCHEDULE OF CONCESSIONS ANNEXED TO THE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Philippines, along with 47 developing countries, is a participant in the Agreement on the Global System of Trade Preferences (GSTP) Among Developing Countries signed in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, on 13 April 1988;

WHEREAS, the GSTP aims to promote and sustain mutual trade, foster collective self-reliance and enhance economic cooperation among developing member-countries of the Group of 77 through exchanges of trade concessions;

WHEREAS, the participation of the Philippines in the First Round of Trade Negotiations under the GSTP following its launching during the GSTP Ministerial Meeting held in Brazil on 19-23 May 1986 and its conclusion at the Belgrade Ministerial Meeting in April 1988 resulted in an exchange of direct tariff concessions with South Korea and India;

WHEREAS, the Philippine concessions have not been implemented pending the Philippine Government's ratification of the Agreement and the deposit of the instrument of ratification with the Agreement's depository, the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia;

WHEREAS, the Agreement on the Global System of Trade Preferences Among Developing Countries was finally ratified by the Philippine Senate on 02 September 1991 and the instrument of ratification subsequently deposited with the depository on 24 February 1992;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in Annex "A" as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be accorded a 10% Margin of Preference (MOP) as shown in Column 9 of said Annex "A". Accordingly, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential Tariffs indicated in Columns 10-14 of Annex "A".

SEC. 2. In the event that any subsequent changes are made in the basic Philippine rate of duty on any of the articles listed in Annex "A", such articles shall be automatically accorded the corresponding MOP indicated in Column 9 of said Annex "A".

SEC. 3. The MOP indicated in Column 9 of Annex "A" shall apply only to imports from participants in the Agreement on the GSTP as defined in Article 1 (a) thereof.

SEC. 4. After the effective date of this Order, all the above-described articles entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as prescribed in the Agreement on the GSTP.

SEC. 5. This Order shall take effect on 1 January 1994.

Done in the City of Manila, this 27th day of DECEMBER, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex "A"

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 148

MODIFYING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED UNDER PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, AS AMENDED OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

Pursuant to the powers vested in me by Section 401 of Presidential Decree No. 1464, as amended, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby direct and order:

Section 1. The articles specifically listed hereunder as classified under Section 104 of Presidential Decree No. 1464, as amended, shall pay the following rates of import duty.

Hdg. No.	Harmonized System Code	Description	Rate of Duty (%)		
			1993	1 July 1994	1995
17.01		Cane or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose, in solid form.			
		Raw sugar not containing added flavouring or colouring matter:			
	1701.11 00	-- x x x			
	1701.12 00	-- x x x			
		- Other:			
	1701.91 00	-- x x x			
	1701.99 00	-- Other	70	60	50
23.09		Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding.			
	2309.10 00	- x x x			
	2309.90	- Other:			
	2309.90 10	--- x x x			
	2309.90 20	--- Prawn Feeds	20	20	20
	2309.90 90	--- x x x			

Hdg. No.	Harmonized System Code	Description	Rate of Duty (%)		
			1993	1 July 1994	1995
		Medicaments (excluding goods of heading No. 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06) consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale.			
	3004.10 00	- x x x			
	3004.20 00	- x x x			
		x x x			
	3004.31 00	-- x x x			
	3004.32 00	-- x x x			
	3004.39 00	-- x x x			
	3004.40 00	- x x x			
	3004.50 00	- x x x			
	3004.90	- Other:			
	3004.90 10	--- x x x			
	3004.90 20	--- Closed sterile water system for inhalation, pharmaceutical grade (USP, NF or BP)	10	10	10
	3004.90 90	--- x x x			
35.03		Gelatin (including gelatin in rectangular (including square) sheets, whether or not surface-worked or coloured) and gelatin derivatives: isinglass; other glues of animal origin, excluding case in glues of heading No. 35.01			
	3503.00 10	--- Gelatin, pharmaceutical grade (USP, NF or BP)	10	10	10
	3503.00 90	--- Other	20	20	20
40.07	4007.00 00	Vulcanized rubber thread and cord	30	30	20
		Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms; wood in chips or particles; sawdust and wood waste and scrap, whether or not agglomerated in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms.			
	4401.10 00	- x x x			
		- Wood in chips or particles			
	4401.21 00	-- Coniferous	Free	Free	Free
	4401.22 00	-- Non-coniferous	Free	Free	Free
	4401.30 00	- x x x			

Hdg.	Harmonized System		Description	Rate of Duty (%)		
	No.	Code		1993	1994	1995
54.07			Woven fabrics of synthetic filament yarn, including woven fabrics obtained from materials of heading No. 54.04.	:	1 July	
	5407.10	- x x x:		:		
	5407.10 10	- - - x x x		:		
	5407.10 90	- - - x x x		:		
	5407.20 00	- x x x		:		
	5407.30 00	- x x x		:		
			Other woven fabrics, containing 85% or more by weight of filaments of nylon or other polyamides:			
	5407.41 00	- - Unbleached or bleached:		:		
	5407.41 10	- - - NYLON MESH FABRIC OF UNTWISTED FILAMENT YARNS FOR USE AS REINFORCING MATERIAL FOR TARPAULIN SHEETING	10	:	10	10
	5407.41 90	- - - OTHER	30	:	30	30
55.01			Synthetic filament tow.	:		
	5501.10 00	- x x x		:		
	5501.20 00	- x x x		:		
	5501.30 00	- Acrylic or modacrylic	3	:	3	3
	5501.90 00	- x x x		:		
60.01			Pile fabrics, including "long pile" fabrics and terry fabrics, knitted or crocheted.	:		
	6001.10 00	- x x x		:		
		- x x x		:		
	6001.21 00	- - x x x		:		
	6001.22 00	- - x x x		:		
	6001.29 00	- - x x x		:		
		- Other:		:		
	6001.91 00	- - x x x		:		
	6001.92 00	- - Of man-made fibres:		:		
	6001.92 10	- - - PILE FABRICS OF 100% POLYESTER STAPLE FIBRES USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF PAINT ROLLERS, MEASURING 2-1/2 TO 3 INCHES IN WIDTH	20	:	10	10
	6001.92 90	- - - OTHER	30	:	30	30

Hdg. No.	Harmonized System Code	Description	Rate of Duty (%)		
			1993	1 July 1994	1995
85.11		Electrical ignition or starting equipment of a kind used for spark-ignition or compression-ignition internal combustion engines (for example, ignition magnetos, magneto-dynamos, ignition coils, sparking plugs and glow plugs, starter motors); generators (for example, dynamos, alternators) and cut-outs of a kind used in conjunction with such engines.			
	8511.10 00	- x x x	:		
	8511.20 00	- x x x	:		
	8511.30 00	- x x x	:		
	8511.40	- Starter motors and dual purposed starter-generators:	:		
	8511.40 10	- - - Unassembled starter motors	3	3	3
	8511.40 90	- - - Other	10	10	10
	8511.50	- Other generators:	:		
	8511.50 10	- - - Unassembled alternators	3	3	3
	8511.50 90	- - - Other	10	10	10
	8511.80 00	- x x x	:		
	8511.90 00	- x x x	:		

Sec. 2. Upon the effectivity of this Order, all the aforementioned articles entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to the rates of import duty herein prescribed.

Sec. 3. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly

Sec. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect thirty (30) days following its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Done in the City of Manila, this 27th day of **DECEMBER**, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 149
STREAMLINING OF THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, the government is committed to streamline the bureaucracy, and specifically adopt a homogeneous grouping of functionally related government agencies;

WHEREAS, several agencies now under the Office of the President perform functions that are similar and/or related to those of certain departments and/or agencies and can therefore be made more effective if transferred thereto for policy and program coordination and integration and/or administrative supervision; and

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of Executive Order No. 292, otherwise known as the Administrative Code of 1987, provides continuing authority to the President to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Declaration of Policy. It is hereby declared the policy of government, in general, and of the Office of the President, in particular, to streamline the bureaucracy and effect the homogeneous grouping of functions and agencies to appropriate departments and/or agencies. Accordingly, an agency may be placed under the Office of the President subject to the following conditions:

- (a) such agency provides direct staff assistance and support to the President; or
- (b) such agency performs functions that require the immediate attention of the President.

Section 2. Streamlining Of The Office Of The President. In accordance with the policies enunciated in this Executive Order, the Office of the President shall be streamlined and re-structured, through the following dispositive actions:

- (a) Transfer and attachment of agencies/government-owned and/or controlled corporations to appropriate departments or agencies for policy and program coordination and integration and/or administrative supervision;
- (b) Integration of agencies/government-owned and/or controlled corporations with departments or agencies;
- (c) Abolition of functions, programs or agencies, subject to pertinent provisions of law; and
- (d) Retention of agencies/government-owned and/or controlled corporations with the Office of the President, subject to the conditions set forth in Section 1 of this Executive Order.

Section 3. Dispositive Actions. The transfer or integration of the following agencies/government-owned and/or controlled corporations from the Office of the President to the departments and/or agencies hereunder indicated shall be effected as follows:

3.1. Transfer Of Regular Agencies To Appropriate Departments And/Or Agencies.

The following agencies are hereby transferred from the Office of the President to the respective departments and/or agencies indicated thereunder, for policy and program coordination and integration and/or administrative supervision:

- (a) The National Statistical Coordination Board to the National Economic and Development Authority;
- (b) The Commission on Filipino Language to the Department of Education, Culture and Sports;
- (c) The Philippine Center Management Board to the Department of Foreign Affairs;
- (d) National Statistics Office to the National Economic and Development Authority; and
- (e) The Statistical Research and Training Center to the National Economic and Development Authority.

3.2. Transfer Of Government-Owned And/Or Controlled Corporations To Appropriate Departments And/Or Agencies. The following government-owned and/or controlled corporations are hereby transferred from the Office of the President to the respective departments and/or agencies indicated hereunder, for policy and program coordination and/or administrative supervision, consistent with pertinent provisions of Administrative Order No. 59 (s. 1988) and other applicable laws, rules and regulations:

- (a) The Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation to the Department of Finance;
- (b) The Laguna Lake Development Authority to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources; and
- (c) The Philippine Center for Economic Development to the University of the Philippines System.

3.3. Transfer Of Regular Agencies For Administrative Supervision And Eventual Abolition. The following agencies from the Office of the President are hereby transferred to the departments and/or agencies indicated hereunder, and shall be eventually abolished in accordance with law and the terms of Section 5 of this Executive Order:

- (a) The Economic Support Fund Secretariat to the Department of Public Works and Highways;
- (b) The Board of Liquidators to the National Development Company;
- (c) The Development Coordinating Council for Leyte and Samar to the Department of National Defense;
- (d) The Kalinga Special Development Authority to the Department of National Defense;
- (e) The Sequestered Assets Disposition Authority to the Presidential Commission on Good Government; and
- (f) The Philippine Gamefowl Commission to the Games and Amusements Board.

3.4. **Integration Of An Agency.** The Philippine Human Resources Development Center is hereby integrated with the Presidential Management Staff.

Section 4. **Implementation Procedures.** The provisions of this Executive Order shall be implemented in accordance with the following procedure:

- (a) **Preparation of a Function, Rationalization and Integration Program.** Within sixty (60) days upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, affected departments and/or agencies shall prepare and submit to the President, through the Department of Budget and Management, a Function, Rationalization and Integration Program, consistent with Section 48 of Republic Act No. 7645, which shall contain the following:
 - a.1. the streamlining and rationalization of the department's and/or agency's functions, programs and activities which may have become duplicative, unnecessary or redundant as a result of the transfer of agencies thereto for supervision, or integration;
 - a.2. the policy integration and rationalization plan for the department and/or agency indicating the functions, programs and activities affected by the attachment of agencies thereto and setting the mechanism to effect policy and program coordination; and
 - a.3. the significant re-focusing, abolition, scaling down or phasing out of functions, programs, and activities, the corresponding shifts in structure and resource allocations, and such other changes in the staffing as may be necessary to effect the required streamlining and integration.
- (b) **Authority And Responsibility Of The Secretary Of Budget And Management.** The Secretary of Budget and Management shall review and make recommendations to the President on the Function, Rationalization and Integration Programs, within sixty (60) days upon receipt thereof; and shall prepare and issue to the agency, within thirty (30) days upon Presidential approval of said Function, Rationalization and Integration Program, the necessary action documents authorizing relevant changes in the functions, program/activity/project structure, internal organization structure, staffing, and budgetary allocations of the departments or agencies concerned.
- (c) **Implementing Authority and Responsibility of Department Secretaries.** Upon approval of their respective Function, Rationalization and Integration Programs, Department Secretaries and/or Heads of Agencies concerned shall, within fifteen (15) days thereof, issue such rules, regulations and other issuances as may be necessary to ensure the effective implementation of the provisions of this Executive Order.

Section 5. **Transitory Provisions.** Prior to the actual transfer or abolition of agencies, the following interim arrangements shall be immediately carried out:

5.1. **Interim Arrangements for the Eventual Abolition of Agencies.** The Department of Budget and Management is hereby directed to immediately prepare and submit to the Office of the President the necessary documentation to effect the actual abolition of the agencies included under Section 3.3 of this Executive Order.

Until such time that the agencies concerned are actually abolished, the following personnel policies shall be observed in said agencies:

- a. Non-filling of vacant positions; and
- b. Non-renewal of contracts of all contractual employees including casual and temporary employees.

Within thirty (30) days upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, these agencies shall submit a report to the Department of Budget and Management, thru the department and/or agency to which they were transferred, an inventory of vacant positions and contracts of all contractual, casual and temporary employees.

5.2. Interim Arrangements For Transferred Agencies and Corporations. All agencies and corporations which are transferred shall upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, immediately confer and coordinate with the departments and agencies to which they are transferred. In the meantime that the Function, Rationalization and Integration Programs are pending evaluation, affected agencies and corporations shall continue to operate on the basis of existing internal operational arrangements.

5.3. Scope Of Transfer. Any transfer of an agency or corporation shall include the functions, appropriations, funds, records, equipment, facilities, other properties, choses in action, and assets and liabilities of the transferred agency or corporation, as well as the personnel thereof.

Section 6. Notice of Consent Requirements. If any organizational change herein authorized is of such substance or materiality as to prejudice third persons with rights recognized by law or contract, such that notice to or consent of creditors is required to be made or obtained pursuant to any agreement entered into with any such creditors, such notice of consent requirement shall be complied with prior to the implementation of the Function, Rationalization and Integration Program.

Section 7. Separability Clause. Any portion or provision of this Executive Order that may be declared unconstitutional shall not have the effect of nullifying other portions or provisions hereof as long as such remaining portions can still subsist and be given effect.

Section 8. Repealing Clause. All executive rules, regulations and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

Section 9. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the completion of its publication in at least one (1) national newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 28th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 150
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 156, SERIES OF 1968,
AS AMENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 163, SERIES OF 1968, CONSTITUTING THE
“FUND FOR ASSISTANCE TO PRIVATE EDUCATION” AS AN IRREVOCABLE TRUST,
CREATING A “PRIVATE EDUCATION ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE” AS TRUSTEE, AND
PROVIDING FOR THE MANAGEMENT THEREOF

WHEREAS, the “Fund for Assistance to Private Education” (hereinafter called the “Fund”) was constituted under Executive Order No. 156, Series of 1968, as amended, as an irrevocable trust fund for the purpose of providing a permanent trust fund to finance various programs of assistance to private education, pursuant to a “Project Agreement”, entered into on June 11, 1968, between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the United States of America, executed in accordance with the “Exchange of Notes” between said Governments;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend full support to government policies and programs to create and maintain a system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the structure and powers of the Private Education Assistance Committee be strengthened in order that it can independently fulfill its functions and responsibilities as trustee, manager and administrator of the Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law and in pursuance of the “Project Agreement” and the “Exchange of Notes” mentioned, do hereby order the amendment of Executive Order No. 156, Series of 1968, as amended, as follows:

Section 1. *Amendment of Section 2.* - Section 2 thereof is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 2. **Purpose of the Fund.** The Fund shall be established for the purpose of financing programs of assistance to private education, utilizing only the earnings thereof, whether in the form of interest, dividends or capital gains, through grants and/or loans for faculty training and development in the forms of scholarships, research grants, faculty incentives, inter-institutional cooperative projects, and other programs of benefit to private education, but excluding any support of religious worship or instruction. Contributions, donations, grants, bequests, gifts and/or loans from the Government of the Republic of the Philippines for programs of assistance to private education may be managed and administered by the Private Education Assistance Committee as provided herein.”

SECTION 2. *Amendment of Section 3.* Section 3 thereof is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 3. **Composition of Private Education Assistance Committee.** A committee which will serve as the trustee of the Fund and in this capacity shall administer, manage and supervise the operations of the Fund, which shall be known as the ‘Private Education

Assistance Committee' (hereinafter called the 'Trustee'), is hereby created and shall be composed of:

- a. The Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports or his representative, as Chairman;
- b. A representative from the National Economic Development Authority, as member;
- c. A representative of the Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines, as member;
- d. A representative of the Association of Christian Schools and Colleges, as member; and
- e. A representative of the Philippine Association of Colleges and Universities, as member.

The members of this Committee shall serve without any compensation.”

SECTION 3. *Amendment of Section 8.* - Section 8 thereof is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 8. **Addition to Trust Fund.** The Trust Fund herein constituted may be augmented from time to time by grants, donations or other lawful transfers by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, or any other public or private entity, the disposition of the principal and/or income of which shall likewise be governed by the provisions hereof, or such special terms and conditions as may be imposed in the particular deed, bequest or other instrument of transfer covering such grants, donations or other transfers, and agreed to by the Trustee. Any unused earnings may be capitalized to increase the principal of the Fund. In line herewith, the Trustee is hereby authorized to receive and accept donations, contributions and other grants from the agencies and instrumentalities of the Philippine Government including government-owned and controlled corporations.”

SECTION 4. *Substitution of the Provisions of Section 10.* - The provisions of Section 10 thereof is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 10. **Decision by Majority Vote.** A decision of the Trustee shall be made by majority of all its members.”

SECTION 5. *Effectivity of the Order.* - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑANG
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 151
CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE ADMINISTRATIVE
COMPLAINTS INVOLVING GRAFT AND CORRUPTION

WHEREAS, the eradication of graft and corruption has always been a major goal of the government;

WHEREAS, despite the existence of laws against graft and corruption, and the agencies legally and/or constitutionally mandated to enforce these laws, corruption remains prevalent and poses a very serious problem to the country;

WHEREAS, minimizing graft and corruption is imperative if Philippines 2000 is to be realized;

WHEREAS, creating a Presidential Commission Against Graft and Corruption specifically tasked to (a) investigate presidential appointees charged with graft and corruption; (b) coordinate efforts toward the eradication of opportunities favorable to the commission of graft and corruption, and the expeditious prosecution and resolution of pending graft and corruption cases against officials in the executive department; and (c) monitor the implementation of the “Moral Recovery Program” under Proclamation No. 62, dated 30 September 1992, with emphasis on the family, school, church and media as instruments for moral regeneration, will effectively demonstrate the political will of this administration to curb graft and corruption in this country;

WHEREAS, the President, under both the Constitution and the Administrative Code of 1987, has control of all the executive departments, bureaus and offices, and is mandated to ensure that the laws are faithfully executed; and

WHEREAS, Presidential appointees are subject to the disciplinary authority of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. *Organization* - There is hereby constituted a Presidential Commission Against Graft and Corruption, hereinafter called the “Commission”, under the Office of the President.

SECTION 2. *Composition* - The Commission shall be composed of a Chairman and two (2) Members to be appointed or designated by the President.

SECTION 3. *Jurisdiction* - The Commission shall have jurisdiction over all administrative complaints involving graft and corruption filed in any form or manner against presidential appointees, including those in government-owned or controlled corporations.

SECTION 4. *Powers, Functions, and Duties* - The Commission shall have the following powers, functions and duties:

(a) Investigation - The Commission shall have the power to investigate administrative complaints against presidential appointees in the executive department of the government, including those in government-owned or controlled corporations, charged with graft and corruption. In the exercise thereof, the Commission is (1) authorized to summon witnesses, administer oaths, or take testimony or evidence relevant to the investigation by subpoena ad testificandum and subpoena duces tecum, and do such other acts necessary and incidental to the discharge of its function and duty to investigate

the said administrative complaints; and (2) empowered to call upon and secure the assistance of any department, bureau, office, agency, or instrumentality of the government, including government-owned or controlled corporations.

The Commissions shall confine itself to cases of graft and corruption involving one or a combination of the following criteria:

1. Presidential appointees with the rank equivalent to or higher than an Assistant Regional Director;
2. The amount involved is at least Ten Million Pesos (P10,000,000.00);
3. Those which threaten grievous harm or injury to the national interest; and
4. Those which may be assigned to it by the President.

The Commission may refer to the Office of the Ombudsman, when warranted and necessary, any case calling for the investigation and/or prosecution of the party or parties concerned for violation of anti-graft and corruption laws.

(b) Coordination - The Commission shall coordinate with different government agencies for the purpose of eradicating opportunities and the climate favorable to the commission of graft and corruption.

The Commission shall also perform its coordinate functions for the purpose of expediting resolutions of pending cases or complaints involving graft and corruption filed against public officials, and causing the expeditious prosecution of criminal and other cases involving the offering of inducements, rewards and other benefits by parties outside of the government.

(c) Monitoring - It shall be the duty of the Commission to monitor, along with the KABISIG People's Movement national Operations Center, the implementation of the "Moral Recovery Program" under Proclamation No. 62, dated 30 September 1992, with emphasis on the family, school, church, and media as instruments of moral regeneration.

The Commission shall assist the Council of Advisers on Moral Recovery and recommend possible courses of action which the President may undertake.

SECTION 5. **Technical and Administrative Staff** - The Commission shall organize its Technical and Administrative Staff to be headed by an Executive Director who shall be designated by the President upon the recommendation of the Commission. The Technical Staff shall be composed of personnel designated by the Chairman and those detailed to the Commission by the different agencies called to assist the Commission.

SECTION 6. **Operating Guidelines** - The Commission shall adopt such operating guidelines as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order.

SECTION 7. **Funding** - The Commission shall be provided with an initial budget in the amount of Ten Million Pesos (P10,000,000.00) to be drawn from the President's contingent fund. Appropriations for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposal for the Office of the President.

SECTION 8. **Effectivity** -- This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 11th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 151-A
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 151 DATED 11 JANUARY 1994

I, **FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the amendment of Executive Order No. 151 dated 11 January 1994, titled “Creating A Presidential Commission To Investigate Administrative Complaints Involving Graft And Corruption”, as follows:

Section 1. Section 2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 2. *Composition* – The Commission shall be composed of a Chairman and two (2) Commissioners to be appointed or designated by the President. One of the two Commissioners shall represent the private sector and may serve on a part-time basis.

The Chairman shall have the rank, emoluments and privileges of a Presidential Assistant II. The Commissioners, on the other hand, shall have the rank, emoluments and privileges of a Presidential Assistant I.

The Chairman shall preside over the Commission and act as its chief executive officer who shall direct and supervise the implementation and execution of policies, standards, rules and regulations of the Commission, and be responsible for its general administration.”

Section 2. Section 4, paragraph (a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 4. *Powers, Functions, and Duties* – The Commission shall have the following powers, functions and duties:

(a) Investigation – The Commission shall have the power to investigate on its own or on complaint administrative complaints against presidential appointees in the executive department of the government, including those in government-owned or controlled corporations, charged with graft and corruption. In the exercise thereof, the Commission is (1) authorized to summon witnesses, administer oaths, or take testimony or evidence relevant to the investigation by *subpoena ad testificandum* and *subpoena duces tecum*, and do such other acts necessary and incidental to the discharge of its function and duty to investigate the said administrative complaints; and (2) empowered to call upon and secure the assistance of any department, bureau, office, agency, or instrumentality of the government, including government-owned or controlled corporations.

The Commission shall confine itself to cases of graft and corruption involving one or a combination of the following criteria:

1. Presidential appointees with the rank equivalent to or higher than an Assistant Regional Director;
2. The amount involved is at least Ten Million Pesos (P10,000,000.00)

3. Those which threaten grievous harm or injury to the national interest; and
4. Those which may be assigned to it by President.

The Commission may refer to the Office of the Ombudsman, when warranted and necessary, any case calling for the investigation and/or prosecution of the party or parties concerned for violation of anti-graft and corruption laws.

Administrative investigation of complaints against presidential appointees currently undertaken by various presidential committees or government agencies, including government-owned or controlled corporations shall continue notwithstanding the creation and organization of the Commission. This, however, shall be without prejudice to the Commission, in its discretion, taking over the investigation if the matter under investigation is within its jurisdiction.

All complaints against presidential appointees with the rank equivalent to or higher than an Assistant Regional Director shall, henceforth, be endorsed to the Commission for immediate and appropriate action.”

Section 3. Section 6 is amended by incorporating another paragraph which shall read as follows:

“SECTION 6. *Technical and Administrative Staff* –

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The Chairman may engage the services of qualified consultants subject to existing rules and regulations of the Civil Service Commission and the National Economic and Development Authority.”

Section 4. *Effectivity* – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 21st day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1994). [*Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300*]. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 152
PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR UNIFICATION AND
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (NPUDC) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, a primary objective of the Government is to pursue a genuine and lasting peace based on the principles of a comprehensive peace process;

WHEREAS, one of the major components of a comprehensive peace process in the provision of programs for reconciliation, reintegration into the mainstream of society, and rehabilitation through community-based assistance programs to address, among other things, the socio-economic needs of former rebels, demobilized combatants, and civilian victims of the internal armed conflicts;

WHEREAS, there is a need to formulate and implement an economic component of national unification on the pursuit of a comprehensive peace process;

WHEREAS, the economic component of national unification shall be principled, fair to all concerned and shall translate economic programs into subsequent opportunities for socio-economic empowerment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The National Program for Unification and Development (NPUD). - The National Program for Unification and Development is hereby established to coordinate and integrate an economic component of national unification focusing on programs, projects and efforts addressing the socio-economic needs of the various beneficiaries;

SEC. 2. The National Program for Unification and Development Council. - The National Program for Unification and Development Council (NPUDC) is hereby created to coordinate, integrate and implement the National Program for Unification and Development, composed of the following:

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| a. | The Secretary of the Interior and Local Government | - | Chairman |
| b. | The Secretary of National Defense | - | Vice-Chairman |
| c. | The Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process | - | Member |

SEC. 3. Powers and Functions of the NPUD Council. - The NPUD Council shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Formulate and implement policies, plans and component programs of the National Program for Unity and Development (NPUD);
- b. Encourage participation of non-government organizations, people's organizations and the private sector in NPUD;
- c. Identify additional sources of technical and financial assistance for NPUD;
- d. Monitor and evaluate the progress of NPUD.

SEC. 4. The Executive Director and the Secretariat. - There shall be a Secretariat at the national level to be headed by an Executive Director who shall also act as Secretary to the Council.

The Secretariat shall handle the administrative, operational and technical activities of the NPUD Council. Specifically, the Secretary shall prepare plans and programs for the consideration of the Council; supervise, direct and monitor for the Council the implementation of approved policies, plans and programs as well as undertake liaisoning and coordinating activities with the appropriate agencies of government.

SEC. 5. Program Implementation and Coordination at the Regional Level. - The National Program for Unification and Development Council is hereby authorized to establish in every region a Regional Program for Unification and Development Council (RPUDC). This regional council shall be composed of the Chairman of the Regional Development Council, the Chairman of the Regional Peace and Order Council, and a third member shall be chosen by both of them in consultation with the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process. Among themselves, they shall elect the Chairman of the Regional Program for Unification and Development Council.

SEC. 6. Program Implementation and Coordination at the Provincial, City and Municipal Levels. - The National Program for Unification and Development Council shall further establish corresponding councils at the provincial, city, and municipal levels to be composed by the Chairman of the Development Council and the Chairman of the Peace and Order Council who, in turn, shall together select one (1) representative from the private sector, in consultation with the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process, as the third member. Among themselves, they shall also elect a Chairman.

SEC. 7. Budgetary Support. - The National Program for Unification and Development shall be funded with an initial budget to be taken from the President's Contingent Fund and the National Unification Fund in the amount to be recommended by the National Program for Unification and Development Council and approved by the President. Appropriations for succeeding years shall be incorporated in budget proposal of the Office of the President.

SEC. 8. Transition Mechanisms. - Until such time that the Secretariat for the National Program for Unification and Development Council is fully organized and operational, the National Reconciliation and Development Council Secretariat created under Executive Order No. 103 (s. 1986) shall continue to provide staff support to the NPUD Council in the implementation of the government's unification and development efforts. It shall be under the direct control and supervision of the NPUD Council.

All assets, choses in action, equipment, facilities, funds, records and other properties, as well as the personnel of the NRDC Secretariat, are hereby transferred to the Secretariat of the National Program for Unification and Development Council.

SEC. 9. Repealing Clause. - All orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 10. Effectivity. - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 21st day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1994). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 153

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE MINIMUM NINETY PER CENTUM (90%) MARGIN OF PREFERENCE ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE NESTLE ASEAN INDUSTRIAL JOINT VENTURES (AIJV) PROJECTS, AS PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE III, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE REVISED BASIC AGREEMENT ON AIJV

WHEREAS, the Philippine is a Contracting Party to the Revised Basic Agreement on ASEAN Industrial Joint Ventures (BAAIJV) signed in Manila on 15 December 1987;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, along with Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, and Thailand, is a participating country in the approved NESTLE ASEAN Industrial Joint Venture Projects;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Revised BAAIJV, all participating countries shall extend a minimum ninety percent (90%) Margin of Preference (MOP) to new AIJV products within 90 days of their commercial production;

WHEREAS, the commercial production of non-dairy creamer by Nestle ASEAN THAILAND, Ltd. started in November 1993; that of "Smarties" chocolate dragees and "Kitkat" chocolate wafers by Nestle ASEAN (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. in December 1993; and that of soya-based milk powder by P.T. Nestle ASEAN INDONESIA will start in January 1994;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in Annex "A" as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be accorded a minimum ninety per centum (90%) MOP as specified in column 8 of said Annex "A". In effect, such articles shall be subject to the AIJV Preferential Tariff in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article as specified in columns 9, 10, 11, and 13 of Annex "A".

SEC. 2. The MOP herein provided on non-dairy creamer shall be accorded to the AIJV entity in Thailand effective from 1 November 1993 up to 1 November 1997; that on chocolate dragees and chocolate wafers shall be accorded to the AIJV entity in Malaysia effective from 1 December 1993 up to 1 December 1997; and that on soya-based milk powder shall be accorded to the AIJV entity in Indonesia effective from 1 January 1994 to 1 January 1998. As provided under Article III, paragraphs 3 (c) and (d) of the Revised BAAIJV, the participating countries shall waive their rights under Chapter II, Article 8, paragraph 2 of the ASEAN PTA for the first four (4) years in respect of entities which are not AIJVs but produce the same products within their countries. However, such entities in the participating countries which are not AIJVs but produce the same products shall enjoy the same MOP after the waiver period of four (4) years.

SEC. 3. The minimum ninety per centum (90%) MOP accorded under this Executive Order to the accredited AIJV entities in Thailand, Malaysia, and Indonesia shall remain effective irrespective of any subsequent change in the basic Philippine rate of duty on the above-mentioned articles.

SEC. 4. After the effectivity of this Executive Order, all the above-described articles entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as prescribed in the Agreement on ASEAN Preferential Trading Arrangements ratified on 1 August 1977.

SEC. 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 25th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Reference: Articles Granted 90% Margin of Preference under the Nestle ASEAN Industrial Joint Ventures (AIJV)

Source: **Presidential Management Staff**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1994). [*Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300*]. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 154
CREATING THE NATIONAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR
THE ASIA AND PACIFIC MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE IN PREPARATION
FOR THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the United Nations General Assembly, through Resolution 47192, decided to convene a World Summit for Social Development at the level of heads of State or Government to be held in 1995;

WHEREAS, the Philippines supports the convening of the World Summit for Social Development as an effort to develop an integrated global response to the universal human aspirations for peace, progress, and justice;

WHEREAS, the Philippines believes that the preparatory process for the Summit and the Summit itself will provide a valuable opportunity to promote a better understanding of the core issues to be addressed by the summit, namely: 1) the enhancement of social integration, particularly of the more disadvantaged and marginalized groups; 2) alleviation and reduction of poverty; and 3) expansion of productive employment, as well as an opportunity to identify the most appropriate policy responses, at the national, regional and international levels;

WHEREAS, the Philippines offered during the last General Assembly Session to host the Asian Regional Meeting on Social Development, preparatory to the World Summit,

WHEREAS, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) has approved the proposal of the Philippines to host the Meeting, which enables the Philippine Government to undertake such preparations as are necessary to ensure the successful holding of the conference in Manila in 1994;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create the National Organizing Committee for the Asia and Pacific Ministerial Conference in Preparation for the World Summit for Social Development, hereinafter referred to as the Committee.

The Committee shall be chaired by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and the Vice-chairpersons shall be drawn from the Department of Social Welfare and Development and from the Department of Foreign Affairs. The members of the committee shall be the heads of the following agencies:

Office of the President
Presidential Management Staff
Office of the Press Secretary
Department of Budget and Management
Department of Tourism - Philippine Convention and Visitors Corporation
Department of the Interior and Local Government
Department of Transportation and Communications

Department of Public Works and Highways
Department of Education, Culture and Sports
Department of Labor and Employment
Department of Health
The Presidential Commission to Fight Poverty
The Presidential Commission on Countryside Development
Congress of the Philippines
National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women
National Council on Social Development
One representative from the Indigenous Community
One adviser who shall be appointed by the President

The Department Secretaries and Executive Director of the members of the Committee may designate their respective permanent representatives to the Committee in case of their inability to personally participate in the work of the Committee.

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following agencies/organizations:

Office of the President
National Economic and Development Authority
Department of Social Welfare and Development
Department of Foreign Affairs
National Council for Social Development
Department of Budget and Management
Department of Education, Culture and Sports
Department of Health
Philippine Airlines

The Executive Committee is empowered to create other necessary Subcommittees and to call upon all other government, non-government and private agencies and individuals concerned to assist the Committee in its tasks.

Such amounts as may be necessary for the operation of the Committee, its Secretariat and Sub-Committees, and the holding of the conference shall be included in the International Commitments Fund portion of the FY-1994 budget.

This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 27th day of January, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1994). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 155
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 149

WHEREAS, the Presidential Committee on Flagship Programs and Projects has been created to orchestrate the identification, prioritization and implementation of flagship programs and projects of the government;

WHEREAS, the Economic Support Fund (ESF) Secretariat, which was established as an implementing agency for ESF funded projects, is now winding up its operations following the closure of the US bases in the country; and

WHEREAS, the ESF Secretariat has remaining assets which can be put to good use by the Presidential Committee on Flagship Programs and Projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The transfer of the Economic Support Fund (ESF) Secretariat from the Office of the President to the Department of Public Works and Highways pursuant to Executive Order No. 149 dated 28 December 1993, is hereby deferred. Instead, the Office of the President, through the Presidential Committee on Flagship Programs and Projects, shall oversee the abolition of the ESF Secretariat pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 149.

Section 2. Pending the eventual abolition of the ESF Secretariat, its functions, appropriations, funds, records, equipment, facilities, other properties, choses in action, and assets and liabilities as well as personnel are hereby transferred to the Presidential Committee on Flagship Programs and Projects.

Section 3. All executive rules, regulations and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

Section 4. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the completion of its publication in at least one (1) national newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila this 3rd day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Four.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS**

By the President
(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.**
Executive Secretary

Source: Presidential Management Staff

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1994). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

MALACAÑANG
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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 156
CREATING AN INTER- AGENCY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO ASSIST
THE TRUSTEE COMMITTEE FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT
OF WELFAREVILLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF MANDALUYONG

WHEREAS, the Welfareville Property, composed of eighteen (18) parcels of land, is owned by the Philippine Government under the department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD);

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) 5260, dated June 15, 1968, authorizes the sale of Welfareville Property through public bidding in order to generate funds for programs and projects for the welfare of indigent Filipino children throughout the country;

WHEREAS, RA 7279 provides that the Government- owned lands, which have remained idle for the past ten (10) years from the effectivity of RA 7279, shall be developed and disposed for socialized housing;

WHEREAS, the development and disposition of property requires the coordinated efforts of DSWD, NHA, DENR, COA, and other government agencies to ensure effectivity and efficient planning and implementation;

WHEREAS, the Trustee Committee under Resolution 93-3 date March 23, 1993, invited the NHA to serve as consultant and project manager in the planning, development and disposition of the Welfareville Property;

NOW THEREFOR, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. An Executive Committee is hereby created to assist the Trustee Committee in the Welfareville Property.

SEC. 2. An Executive Committee shall be chaired by the Chairman of the HUDCC and by a duly designated Undersecretary from the DSWD representing its Secretary, with head of the following agencies as members:

- a. National Housing Authority
- b. Department of Public Works and Highways
- c. Department of Justice
- d. Department of Finance
- e. Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- f. Development Bank of the Philippines
- g. Metro Manila Authority
- h. The City of Mandaluyong
- i. The Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor
- j. The Presidential Management Staff
- k. The National Economic Development Authority

SEC. 3. An Inter-Agency Technical Committee, to be chaired by the NHA and whose members shall be designated by the heads of the agencies that compose the Executive Committee, shall formulate the guidelines, the Terms of Reference, and the Master Plan for the Development of the Welfareville Property for submission to the Executive Committee;

SEC. 4. To ensure and facilitate consultation among the affected residents of Welfareville, the Executive Committee may create subcommittees as necessary;

SEC. 5. The Executive Committee shall review and recommend to the Trustee Committee the Master Development Plan and the Terms of Reference covering the development and disposition of the Welfareville property through outright sale or through a joint venture development arrangement with the private sector.

SEC. 6. The Trustee Committee, together with the Executive Committee, shall:

- a. Conduct the public bidding following the guidelines and the Terms of Reference;
- b. Review the outcome of the public bidding; and
- c. Recommend the award for approval by the President

SEC. 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 14th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (1994). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 157
ESTABLISHING A CIVIL REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR MUSLIM FILIPINOS

WHEREAS, civil registration is the systematic recording of acts and events concerning the civil status of persons;

WHEREAS, civil registration is meant for all Filipinos, regardless of political affiliation or religious belief, and hence an effective tool of attaining national solidarity and unity that can spur economic recovery and growth;

WHEREAS, Muslim Filipinos have yet to be assimilated into the system of civil registration established on 27 February 1931 by Act No. 3753 because of their district customs, practices and rites;

WHEREAS, this Administration has acknowledged with much concern the problems and inconveniences encountered and experienced by Muslim Filipinos whose civil status has remained undocumented;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the establishment of a system of civil registration that considers the distinct customs, practices and rites of Muslim Filipinos, and hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Civil Registrar General shall immediately implement the rules and regulations governing the registration of acts and events concerning civil status of Muslim Filipinos as provided in Administrative Order No. 2, Series of 1993;

SEC. 2. The Civil Registrar General shall collaborate with the officials of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, local government units, and other government agencies and instrumentalities in the conduct of information dissemination, trainings, conferences, and seminars of city/municipal civil registrars and other civil registration personnel.

SEC. 3. The Civil Registrar General is hereby authorized to exercise such powers and perform such functions as may be necessary for the proper and effective implementation and maintenance of the system of civil registration for Muslim Filipinos.

SEC. 4. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Order, the National Statistics Office is hereby authorized to use its savings from the 1993 appropriations and; in case of insufficiency thereof, the necessary amount shall be taken from the savings of the Office of President.

SEC. 5. This order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 15th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (1994). *[Executive Order Nos.: 126 - 300]*. Manila: Presidential Management Staff.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 158

CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION TO FORMULATE SHORT- AND LONG-TERM PLANS FOR THE RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION OF THE IFUGAO RICE TERRACES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BANAUE, HUNGDUAN, MAYOYAO AND KIANGAN.

WHEREAS, the Medium Term Philippine Development Plan, 1993-1998 (MTPDP) as approved by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board, shall be the basis for all development activities to be undertaken by the government during said Plan period;

WHEREAS, an important component of the MTPDP is the National Tourism Master Plan of the Department of Tourism (DOT) which identifies the area covering Banaue and its adjacent municipalities as a major destination for tourism in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, under Proclamation No. 1522, the rice terraces in the municipalities of Banaue, Kiangan, Mayoyao and Hungduan in the Province of Ifugao were declared tourist zone under the administration and control of the Philippine Tourism Authority pursuant to Section 5 (D) of P.D. No. 564;

WHEREAS, to enable the Government to undertake measures to restore and preserve the Ifugao rice terraces and promote the accelerated socio-economic development of the area consistent with the concept of sustainable development, there is a need to create a body that shall formulate short- and long-term plans for the area covered herein as well as address certain policy, planning and implementation issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. There is hereby created under the Office of the President a Presidential Commission to be called the Ifugao Terraces Commission for the restoration and preservation of the Ifugao Rice Terraces in the municipalities of Banaue, Kiangan, Hungduan and Mayoyao in Ifugao, hereinafter referred to as the Commission, composed of the following:

Secretary of Tourism	Chairman
Secretary of Agriculture	Vice Chairman
Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources	Member
Secretary of Public Works and Highways	Member
Secretary of Interior and Local Governments	Member
Secretary of Trade and Industry	Member
Secretary of Agrarian Reform	Member
Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports	Member
Head, Presidential Management Staff	Member
Governor of Ifugao	Member
Congressman of Ifugao	Member

Mayors of the concerned Local Government Units	Members
Executive Director of the Cordillera Executive Board	Member
Chairman of the Cordillera Regional Assembly	Member

A representative each from the business, agricultural, and religious sectors and Non-Governmental Organizations shall serve as Consultants to the Commission.

The Philippine Tourism Authority shall initially serve as Technical Secretariat of the Commission to be headed by an Executive Director. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the President.

Section 2. The Commission shall be an advisory body to the President and shall exercise the following functions and responsibilities:

- a. Formulate a Three-Year Ifugao Terraces Master Plan by September 30, 1994 and a Six-Year Integrated Master Plan for the whole area covering Banaue, Kiangnan, Hungduan, and Mayoyao by December 1, 1994, based on the following guidelines:

- (1) Restoration and Preservation of the area's terraces, protection of its ecological balance and enhancement of its environment;
- (2) Maximum enjoyment and easy access of ordinary people to public areas;
- (3) Rational land use and zoning plan considering that the Ifugao Rice Terraces are national treasure and tourist destinations of Filipinos from all parts as well as foreign visitors;
- (4) Prohibition/control of unusually tall and unstable and obstructive structures obscuring public view of the natural beauty of the surroundings in accordance with the zoning ordinances of the local government units concerned and subject to the pertinent laws, rules and regulations on the matter;
- (5) Provision for improved and adequate service infrastructures such as power, water, communications and waste disposal facilities;

Massive reforestation;

- (7) Enhancement of agricultural productivity and local livelihood opportunities as an alternative to industrial employment; and

Provision for a viable peace and order plan.

Both Plans shall include a Comprehensive Investment Program, Capability Building Program for the affected local government units as well as the coordinated establishment of the following in the subject area:

- i. a nature center
- ii. a people's center
- iii. a conference and meeting center
- iv. a flea market destination (vegetable/livelihood); and
- v. a tourist destination

Both Plans shall be submitted to the President for approval.

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- b. Assist the local government units concerned in undertaking various planning activities to develop short-term and long-term strategies for tourism development, environmental protection, attracting business investment, social development, and institutional building, in line with the developmental guidelines stated above and to integrate all national and local plans relative to the restoration and preservation of the subject area;
 - c. Adopt a process of maximum consultation with the local government units concerned and all interest groups in the localities to ensure that the residents' needs, concerns and ideas are considered in the formulation and implementation of the said plans, development guidelines, and municipal ordinances;
 - d. Study and review policy measures that shall promote and address the concerns on environmental protection, poverty alleviation, local autonomy, eco-tourism, and sustainable development of the subject area;
 - e. Recommend (i) legislation to conserve the natural resources and promote the accelerated socio-economic development of the area; (ii) zoning ordinances to the Sangguniang Bayan concerned in consonance with the Plans approved by the President, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations; (iii) the establishment of fire limits or zones, particularly in populous centers; and (iv) the regulation of the construction, repair or modification of buildings within said fire limits or zones in accordance with the provisions of the Fire Code; and
 - f. Recommend to the Sangguniang Bayan concerned such other ordinances and measures as may be necessary to attain the objectives of the Plans approved by the President.

Section 3. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 14, Book II of Executive Order No. 292 (1987), lands of the private domain of the Government located in the subject area, the use of which is not otherwise directed by law, are hereby reserved from lease, sale, or other disposition. Such reserved lands shall be used for developmental purposes in accordance with the Plans approved by the President.

Section 4. The heads of the local government units concerned are hereby directed to strictly enforce their respective ordinances particularly those prescribing height limitations, in the construction of buildings in the area covered herein.

Section 5. The Commission may call upon any government agency, office of bureau for assistance in the discharge of, and form committees to facilities the performance of, its functions and responsibilities.

Section 6. The Commission shall submit monthly reports of its activities to the Office of the President.

Section 7. The amount of Five Million Pesos (P5,000,000), to be drawn equally from the President's Contingent Fund and funds of the DOT, shall be released for the operations of the Commission for 1994. Appropriations for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposals under the Office of the President.

Section 8. All executive issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

Section 9. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Four.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA
Executive Secretary

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President Fidel V. Ramos at the First Filipino Children's Forum
in Malacañan Palace, August 29, 1996.

